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September is National Literacy Month

September is National Literacy Month and the Palm Beach County Library Literacy Project is seeking volunteers to teach others the joy of reading.

Did you know there are 80,000 people in Palm Beach County alone who are functionally illiterate? Or that 68% of the prisoners in Florida cannot read? Did you know there are about 10 adult students in the Glades area who would like to learn to read but do not yet have a tutor?

If you would like to take a few hours each week to teach an adult to read, the Palm Beach County Library Literacy Project will provide the training, materials and support.

If you can help, please call 996-3453 about a Tutor Training Workshop which will be held Saturday, Sept. 27 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the Belle Glade Branch Library.

GCHCS

parent/class meeting

There will be a Sophomore/Freshmen Class Parent meeting at Glades Central Community High School on Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Media Center. Sophomore Class Counselor John Colarulli and Freshmen Class Counselor David Lance will speak as well as Parent Coordinators Karen Schultz and Eugene Ford.

There will be refreshments served and all parents of freshmen and sophomores are urged to attend.

Hospice planning fish fry for October 4

Hospice, Golden Glades is sponsoring a Glades fish fry on Saturday, Oct. 4 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Belle Glade Marina.

Tickets are \$6 a plate and include catfish filets, hush puppies, cole slaw and baked beans. Take out is also available and ticket purchasers are eligible for door prizes.

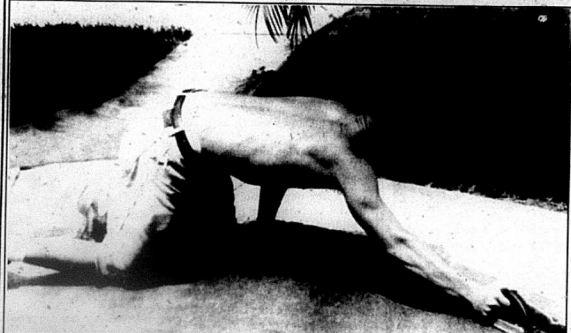
For tickets or additional information call Natalie Nachman at 996-5303 or Hospice of Palm Beach County extension 5145.

Meeting scheduled to discuss Pahokee Fire Department

Pahokee and Canal Point residents are invited to a public meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 30, 7 p.m. at the Pahokee Recreation Center (old Pahokee High School Gymnasium). The meeting will be held to discuss the issues concerning the future of the Pahokee Fire Department.

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PUTT PUTTING AROUND...The Putt-Putt Golf Course at the Belle Glade Marina recently received a face-lift. Kelly Exline with Dick's Carpet World is shown installing new carpet on the course. The bricks around the facility were also re-cemented and trees were trimmed. The miniature golf course will re-open to the public on Sept. 27 and is open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Call the Marina office at 996-6322 for details.

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Pahokee to hold final budget hearing next Tuesday

By Jennie M. Sears
Staff Reporter

The City of Pahokee has a proposed budget of \$2.9 million. This year's budget is less than last year's, because the city has received grants for several different projects. On September 23 the Commission will hold the final budget hearing at 7:30 p.m., at City Hall, 171 N. Lake Avenue.

Last Tuesday Pahokee Commissioners approved a decrease in tax rate from this year's \$7.63 to \$7.35. Property owners can expect to pay the same amount of taxes as they have been.

If the proposed budget is approved, a homeowner with a \$75,000 home value would pay \$367 in city taxes. The city will possibly give raises to employees with lower salaries but overall raises are not expected.

This year the city received a \$750,000 grant for water and sewer improvements. The city also received \$200,000 for extension of the Marina. The Department of Transportation has awarded Pahokee \$39,000 for beautification and \$100,000 for recreational facilities.

With the assistance of County contributions the city will be able to fund the new fire department, radios for the station and other equipment needed.

South Bay's Bayfest '97 committee hoping to attract over 5,000 people

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

Bayfest Committee Chair Milranda Smith has high hopes for South Bay's second annual Cross Roads Cultural Festival. "We're hoping to attract over 5,000 people this year," she says.

Dreams of holding an annual celebration in South Bay finally came true last year for Miss Smith, who is a South Bay City Commissioner, when the first celebration took place in Tanner Park.

Miss Smith came up with the name of the festival and is serving her second year as chair. The City of South Bay is the crossroads of South Florida, lying on the southern tip of Lake Okeechobee at the crossroads of two major highways," she says, and this is why the committee selected the name.

Planned for October 25 this year, the event will run from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and will include live music and entertainment, food, arts and crafts and carnival rides.

A new feature this year is the Miss Bayfest '97 contest. Open to all young ladies ages 13-18 who are Glades residents, the application deadline is 5 p.m. today, Thursday, Sept. 18. Young ladies interested in participating can get an application at South Bay City Hall, Belle Glade and South Bay Branch Libraries or they should contact Gloria Williams at 996-0584 or Carmen Canales at 996-9193 or 996-9500 for more information.

The City of South Bay has been very supportive of the event, according to Miss Smith. Other major sponsors are U.S. Sugar Corporation and the Port of Palm Beach.



CHAMBER TO SELL ANN TYLER PRINTS...Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce officials are all smiles this week after well known artist Ann Tyler made them an offer they couldn't refuse. Mrs. Tyler has offered the chamber a percentage of the profits on all sales of her prints at the Chamber. Chamber Executive Director Danielle Penuel said the chamber sees this as a great fund raiser and she appreciates Mrs. Tyler's donation. Shown, from left are Mrs. Penuel, Mrs. Tyler and Chamber Secretary Laura Rafinger.

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Connell wins election

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

Voters went to the polls Tuesday and re-elected Clay Connell to a third term on the Belle Glade City Commission.

Connell faced Mary Ross Wilkerson in a run-off election this week after failing to get a majority of the votes in last week's race where he had three opponents. This week, Connell got 893 votes to Wilkerson's 771, taking 53.7 percent of the vote.

After Connell was announced as the winner, Wilkerson said it had been a good race and she knew she had worked hard. "I might try again in the future. Yes, I believe I will," she said.

Connell praised Wilkerson for a good, clean race and thanked the voters for letting him serve another two year term. "Thank God for everybody who came out and voted," he said. "We worked very hard and it was a good turnout."

City Clerk Deborah Buff said 1,709 votes were cast Tuesday, and 28.69 percent of the 5,900 registered voters in the City of Belle Glade came out Sept. 16 for the runoff election.

Steve Haller Memorial Golf Tournament is September 27

West County Mental Health Clinic and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's office will host their annual "Steve Haller Memorial Tee-Off for Kids Golf Tournament" on Saturday, September 27, at the Belle Glade Municipal Golf Course. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the children's programs of the clinic and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's office Explorer Post #611.

The tournament is a four person scramble format. Registration is \$40 and includes 18 holes of golf, green and cart fees, on course lunch, door prize and gift bag.

A lucky player will win a new Buick LaSabe courtesy of Steve Moore of Belle Glade by making a hole in one. Other prizes include week-end get-aways, gold equipment, dinners and free rounds of golf. Golfers may register by calling the gold course at 996-6605.

Underwriters for the event are Steve Moore, Inc., of Belle Glade; Craig Smith and Associates; Browning-Perris Industries; Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida, Inc.; and Wedgworth Farms, Inc.

The committee is also asking for support in the form of tee and cart sponsorships. Cart sponsorships are \$256 and tee sponsorships are \$100. To sponsor a cart or tee, or to donate items to be used as raffle prizes, please contact Joseph Amato at 992-1330 or Sgt. John Raulerson or Det. George Peck at 996-1670.

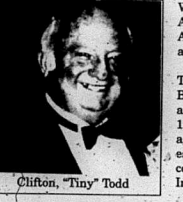
Lake Okeechobee Rural Health Network awarded federal grant

The Bureau of Primary Health Care awarded the Lake Okeechobee Rural Health Network, Inc. a three year award, totaling over \$540,000 to establish community service networks to provide coordinated services among rural providers in the Glades on Aug. 25, according to Andrew Behrman, executive director of the Network.

The Network was formed to address the health care delivery problems posed to the residents of Glades, Hendry,

Okeechobee, Western Martin and Western Palm Beach Counties and the need for the area's health care providers to develop collaborative strategies for dealing with these problems. Members of the Network include Glades General Hospital, Everglades Regional Medical Center, Hendry Regional Medical Center, Florida Community Health Centers, Inc., the Palm Beach County Trauma Agency, and over 50 providers within the five county service area.

Tiny Todd, longtime Pahokee businessman and civic leader dies



Clifton, "Tiny" Todd

War II Victory Medal, the American Service Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal.

He owned and operated the Todd Insurance Company in Belle Glade from 1946 to 1957 and in the Palm Beaches from 1957 to the present. Six years ago he also began selling real estate and the name of the company was changed to Todd Insurance and Realty Company.

He was a Senior Active member of the Rotary Club of Pahokee and was recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow. He was a life member of the Elks Lodge and a member of the Million Dollar Club of two insurance companies.

He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce and Pahokee Main Street. He was also involved in the Visions to Action Forum and a member of the Nazarene Church.

Funeral services were Wednesday, Sept. 17.

Pahokee businessman and civic leader Clifton L. "Tiny" Todd, 74, died Sunday, Sept. 14 at his home. A native of Pahokee, Mr. Todd also lived in Belle Glade for a time. He was one of the organizers of the first Harvest Queen Beauty Pageant, which is still held annually during the Black Gold Jubilee festival.

He and his wife, Flora, lived in Palm Beach for many years before moving back to Pahokee seven years ago.

A veteran of World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Corp. He received the World



NORMA KAY OPENS TODAY... Norma Moore (L) and Katherine Scheffler (R) have opened their shop at 1106 N.W. First Street, Belle Glade. They will be sewing custom made uniforms, handling alterations and selling Glades made crafts.

Norma Kay, new sewing alterations, crafts shop opens today

Two local women have opened a new business in Belle Glade and already they are busy taking orders.

Norma Moore and Katherine Scheffler have opened Norma Kay, a Glades made custom uniforms and alteration shop at 1106 N.W. First Street. They are also selling crafts on consignment from local vendors and cross stitch supplies.

Ms. Moore says she has been designing uniform nurses uniforms for about six years and doing alterations in her home for many years.

"I started sewing years ago out of necessity," said Moore, who has eight children. "My grandmother gave me a sewing machine and I made most of my children's clothes."

Ms. Scheffler has lived in the Glades for 67 years. She says she taught herself to sew and used her new-found talent to make clothing for her three children.

Moore says already business is good at Norma Kay and she and Ms. Scheffler hope to even-

tually hire up to six women to help with the sewing and alterations.

"Home sewing would be great for women just coming off welfare or with small children at home," says Moore. "They could do the work at home in the middle of the night if they wanted to," she said. "I already have 29 women who have said they would like to do this," she added.

Also adding to the Glades economy will be the addition of local crafters who can sell their items on consignment. "We're looking for quality items that are unique," says Moore, who already has some local crafters.

work in the store.

Ruth Newman, a local published poet, has some of her religious poetry designed in laminated bookmarks and frames. Naleah Nachman will be teaching a free cross stitch class on Saturdays at the shop and co-owner Katherine Scheffler has her crafted pillows for sale.

Moore and Scheffler say they plan to expand their business in the future to include trade shows and go to the national markets.

Norma Kay is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. They can be reached at 992-5030.



Dancing under the stars

The Belle Glade Police Department Benevolent Association will hold its annual fund raiser dance on Saturday, Nov. 8. The dance this year will be at the Belle Glade Marina Pavilion beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing until 2 a.m.

Dress for the dance will be casual. Tickets can be purchased from any member of the Belle Glade Police Department or by calling 996-7254, extension 24. Donations are \$10 per ticket and can be reserved now. Entertainment will be provided by disc jockey Jeff Friley from West Palm Beach. He will be playing music from the 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's with the best in country thrown in for good measure.

Gospel sing slated

Miracle Temple Ministries will host a gospel sing on Saturday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. The event will feature singers from around the lake.

Pastor Alvin E. Nichols invites everyone to attend and enjoy a joyous evening of gospel singing.

The church is located at 104 S.W. 16th Street, Belle Glade.

Farm Bureau dinner

The 23rd annual Farm Bureau Dinner is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 23 at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. A social hour will begin at 6:30 p.m. and dinner will begin at 7 p.m. There will be live music provided by Joe Stevens. Rick Danzler, Democratic candidate for governor, will be the guest speaker.

Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased at Farm Bureau's office. For more information contact Beth Painter at 996-0343.

Miss Teen of Pahokee set for Nov. 15

Pahokee Main Street is looking for young ladies between the ages of 16-18 living in the Pahokee/Canal Point areas to participate in its first annual Miss Teen of Pahokee Pageant. Teens interested in participating may contact the Pahokee Main Street office for more information. Applications can be requested by calling 924-6332 and leaving a message with your name and address. The deadline for entry is Friday, Sept. 19 at 5 p.m.

Plans gearing up for Grassy Waters Festival

Committee members are making plans for the Grassy Waters Festival & Car Show to be held Saturday, Nov. 22. The committee meets the third Monday of each month at the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce to plan for the event. Co-chairs Shirlee Ingram and Ken

Bayfest '97 meetings

The Bayfest '97 committee meets the first and Tuesday of the month at South Bay City Hall.

Chairperson Miranda Smith encourages any South Bay resident who would like to participate to attend the meetings. Bayfest '97 will be held October 25. For additional information, residents can call South Bay City Hall at 996-6751.

Bereavement Support Group offered

Hospice of Palm Beach County is offering bereavement support for local residents. Anyone who is having a difficult time dealing with the death of an important person in their life, struggling with loneliness and a changing social role, is invited to attend. The support group meets every Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Golden Glades Hospice Office, located at 125 S.E. Avenue E, Belle Glade (behind insurance company/Children's Home Society). Parking is available at Bank of Belle Glade.

For further information call 996-1285.

Chamber Banquet

The Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce Banquet is set for Tuesday, October 21. At the banquet, they will be presenting the awards for Citizen of the Year, Agri-business Person of the Year, Community Pride, Police Officer of the Year, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Deputy of the Year, and Firefighter of the Year.

Tickets will be on sale later in the month at the chamber.

NA and AA meetings

There are two narcotic anonymous groups that meet in the Glades and new members are always welcome.

Sweet Miracles meets on Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 200 N.W. Avenue H, Belle Glade. They have open discussions and speakers.

There is also a PANDA (Pregnant And Addicted) meeting every Saturday at 10 a.m. at the PANDA office, 816 N.W. Avenue D, Belle Glade. This meeting is for women only and is an open discussion meeting.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets on Monday evenings at 8:30 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 225 N.W. Avenue G, Belle Glade. Participation in any of these meetings is strictly confidential. Anyone needing additional assistance or who has questions can call Narcotics Anonymous at 561-846-NANA.

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HEALTH WATCH

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Seatbelts no longer an option...they're the law

By Paula Swaford, R.N.

I am definitely as guilty as the next person. Many times I get in the car to run a short errand and it never crosses my mind to put on my seat belt...after all, I'm just going a few blocks. I heard a statistic years ago, that the majority of accidents happen within a few miles from home. Seatbelts are not an option anymore, they are the law.

It's rather scary to think back when the kids were little and all the places we traveled without seatbelts on. I would be interested to know the recent statistics of lives saved by the use of seatbelts, especially those of children in child restraint seats. The horrible accident on I-95 just this past week is a good case in point.

The troopers told the driver of the semi-trailer truck that the ONLY reason his life was spared when his truck crashed through the median hitting several other cars was because he was wearing his seatbelt. By the photographs at the scene, the cab of the semi was difficult to identify due to the extent of damage done...it was literally shredded in pieces.

In the high-speed collision that ended Diana, Princess of Wales' life, only one person of the four in the car survived...and he was wearing a seatbelt. The French authorities suggest that it was the combination of the airbag and seatbelt he wore, that allowed the bodyguard to survive the horrible crash. Whether seatbelts in the back of the car are



Paula Swaford, R.N.

shoulder harness type or merely a lap belt, it's always safer to be wearing one than not...even though the force of hitting the belt can leave you bruised or strain your neck, according to Tom Apple, a spokesperson with the New York State Dept. of Motor Vehicles. He says that "Yes, you might get injuries, the

seatbelt itself might give you strap burns, the thing is, you might be faced with the alternative of having some strap burns and strained neck...or being dead."

The chances of surviving a potentially fatal accident are improved about eight times by wearing a seatbelt, and for children, a car seat enhances the chances of survival 14-fold. A helpful tip is this: Don't brace for an accident if you see it coming. One thing you can do is train yourself to relax and let the seatbelt do the job. A lot of people brace themselves, which is one of the worst things you can do. If you are sitting back and you brace yourself against the seat in front of you, you're liable to break your arm if you stop fast. All of us have heard

stories of horrible accidents happening, but if the driver was intoxicated he might very well walk away with no injuries. He was in such a relaxed state that he had no thought of bracing himself to try to prevent injury and thus remained unhurt.

Even a minor "fender-bender" accident can cause extensive damage to vehicles. Going as slowly as 10 to 15 miles per hour and hitting another object or vehicle can be devastating, let alone traveling at a higher rate of speed. Being a parent brings with it many responsibilities, one of which is safeguarding your children in every way possible. Whatever it takes to remind you not only to secure your children in their car seats and also "buckle-up"

yourself, do it. Tie a ribbon on the rearview mirror or a yellow Post-it note to remind you to take care of yourself as well as your children.

Until next time, stay healthy and stay informed.

Buckle-up!

Seatbelts save lives!

Glades General Hospital appoints new Director of Radiology and hires full time gastroenterologist

Glades General Hospital is glad to announce that Larry West has joined its staff as Director of Radiology.

Prior to the appointment, Mr. West spent 20 years at Everglades Regional Medical Center in Pahokee, 15 years as a Department Manager.

Mr. West, a graduate of the University of Miami/Jackson Memorial Hospital of Radiology

Technology, is multi-modality trained, licensed in nuclear radiography, computer tomography and conventional radiography.

A native of Belle Glade and an alumni of Glades Central High, Mr. West states, "Joining Glades General Hospital means coming back home."

A veteran of three marathons, he runs with his 12

year old son every day and has plans to run in the New York Marathon next year.

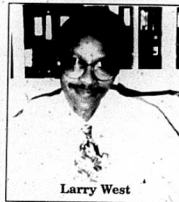
Krishna Tripuraneni, M.D., FACG, also recently joined the staff.

Dr. Tripuraneni is Board Certified in Gastroenterology and Liver Diseases. He is proficient in all endoscopic procedures including ERCP and specializes in diseases of the liver

and liver transplantation.

Dr. Tripuraneni practiced for six years in Illinois after completing his Fellowship at the University of Pittsburgh under Dr. Thomas Starzl and Dr. David Van Thiel.

Dr. Tripuraneni states that he is "excited about the opportunity to provide GI services, here in town, to the residents of Belle Glade" and is accepting



Larry West



Krishna Tripuraneni

new patients.

Treatment-resistant lice: all hope is not lost

Reports of a potential treatment-resistant strain of head lice have increased in the past year. Although conclusive study results have not yet been released, the debate over these virulent pests' existence continues.

What does this all mean for frustrated parents? It means that proper treatment, close observation and keeping a level head are key elements for maintaining a lice-free environment, no matter what the strain.

Care Technologies, makers of Clear Lice Egg Remover, has been one of the only head lice

treatment manufacturers to recognize and accept the possibility of treatment-resistant lice. For more than three years, Care has emphasized the importance of complete nit removal and environmental cleanup to ensure lice elimination.

According to experts, part of the problem may be that parents do not properly use lice treatment products, which invites re-infestation. This may look as if the head lice are resistant when in fact, new lice have hatched because not all the nits were removed. In other cases, it may be a real case of treatment

resistance. Because it is not clear at this point, experts emphasize proper and complete treatment using established guidelines.

Here's a checklist from Care Technologies of the three major steps to becoming lice-free:

• **Kill the lice.** It usually takes two treatments of an over-the-counter product about one week apart. Eggs less than five to six days old are less vulnerable to treatment. A second treatment will kill them and safeguard against potential reinfestation.

• **Remove the nits.** An enzymatic lice egg remover such as

Clear, along with a lice comb, make the complete removal of remaining eggs much easier.

• **Clean the environment.** That includes hot-water washing and hot drying of linen, towels, stuffed toys and other personal items, thorough vacuuming of all exposed areas including the car, and soaking combs and brushes in hot

water.

When faced with this problem, many parents may think more treatment is better. But extra treatments beyond the recommended two times, one week apart, are unnecessary and can even help build up a resistance to later treatment or harm your child. It is never wise to build continual expo-

sure to pesticides.

The makers of Clear Lice Egg Remover have a free brochure to help you understand the safe way to manage a head-lice infestation. Call their advice helpline at 1-800-783-1919 for your copy, or visit their Web site at www.clearcare.com.

Depression in cancer patients

In the U.S. population as a whole, clinical depression strikes nearly 10 percent of adults. For persons diagnosed with cancer the rate of depressive illness is higher, estimated at 25 percent. Studies show that treating depression when it occurs in cancer patients can improve the patient's overall health and quality of life.

A diagnosis of cancer is typically upsetting at first, though emotions generally return to normal after the first month. When the upset continues, and is accompanied by depressive

symptoms that are impairing, a qualified professional should evaluate the patient for clinical depression.

Symptoms of depression include persistent sad or "empty" mood, loss of interest in ordinary activities, sleep disturbances and feelings of hopelessness, helplessness or guilt. Effective treatments for depression include medication, psychotherapy and some alternative treatments.

To learn more about depression, write: DEPRESSION, Dept. C, Rockville MD 20857.

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A privileged few?

"I'm a citizen of Pahokee and I was on my way home about 9 or 10 p.m. and the mosquito truck was spraying down Bacom Point Road. All of a sudden I saw it turn into a doctor's yard to spray there.

Well, why doesn't the truck spray in anyone else's driveway?

I don't think it's very fair that you can spray in someone's yard who happens to have money. Why don't but all the other citizens of Pahokee get their personal yards sprayed for mosquitoes? Thank you."

Pahokee's City Manager Ken Schenck replies: "I want to assure the concerned citizen there is no favoritism when it comes to mosquito spraying. We do try to cover as much area as possible and sometimes this entails covering areas off the streets. We do, however only go into areas where there are circular drives and the homes are situated a distance from the road. Since the county pays for the equipment and spray material there is no cost to the residents. This is the first time we've been accused of too much spraying."

Paying for the past

"I am a concerned citizen. My son is a senior at Glades Central Community High School. I would like to know from Dr. Grear why my son's class of 1998 was not going to have a yearbook?"

It's my understanding that before Angela Russell got the yearbook, there was \$10,000 they owed the yearbook people. Now they're sitting back waiting for the Class of 1998 to pay the \$10,000. I don't think that's right. I think Dr. Grear should pay half of the \$10,000 and the Class of '98 raise the other \$5,000.

So, would you please put this in The Sun and let them know we have a concern for the Class of 1998 because I don't think they should be paying for last year's book at all.

Thank you.
Glades Central Community High School Principal Dr. Effie Grear responds: "I really appreciate the concern expressed by a concerned citizen who has a son in the class of 1998. I hope you attended the junior and senior parent's meeting which was held in the Glades Central Media Center last night, (Sept. 17) to work with other concerned parents on school-related problems such as the yearbook.

I am a concerned principal who wants only the very best for every child who enters Glades Central, but I must also be practical and know when to say NO! A yearbook has to pay for itself. This has not been the case. However, I am excited to know there are concerned parents who are willing to step forth and assist in making a difference in our school and school

projects such as the yearbook.

With concern such as was expressed in the above **Speak Out**, I have high hopes that - not only will the Class of '98 have a yearbook, but parents and concerned citizens stepping forth to help provide needs of not only Glades Central, but other area schools, will make all the difference in the world.

We invite your help. When you begin to understand the problems facing our schools because of lack of funding, you can definitely make a difference by volunteering to help us.

May I express appreciation to the hundreds of parents who attended our first Open House of the year last week. It was gratifying to the faculty and students to see so much community involvement. It truly makes me feel we are at last beginning to get parents and community involved in the school.

For parents of 9th and 10th grade students, we invite you to an informational meeting on Thursday, Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Media Center. We want parents to come out and work together to solve some of the problems we have. With parents, teachers, and students working together, we can solve ALL the problems we have at this school and other schools in the Glades, as well. **WE NEED PARENTAL SUPPORT. WE INVITE PARENTAL SUPPORT.** I appreciate your concern."

Doggone problems

"Attention, residents of Belle Glade and unincorporated Palm Beach County. News flash! Palm Beach County has a leash law for dogs, and you also must have license and shots.

So what this means is that your dog must be on a leash when it is not on the owner's property.

Now why you dog owners seem to think it applies to you, or your nice doggie way out here in Belle Glade is beyond me. But, you are liable. If your dog bites someone, can you say lawsuit?

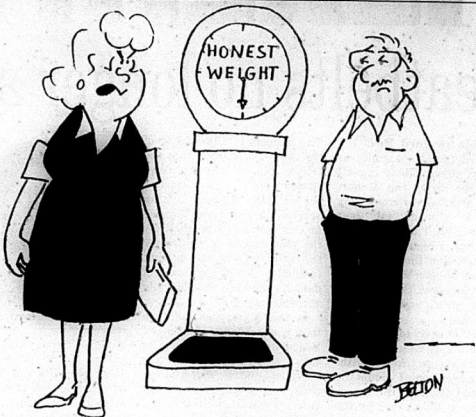
No, I'm not a dog hater, but I don't like to be chased down the street while out for a walk with my wife and son. I don't enjoy stepping in dog feces in my own lawn or picking up trash after they tear into the can.

I have put up with all of this in the past, but the straw has finally broke the camel's back. The last straw was I a.m. while picking the trash out there was a dog on my porch. I chased him off and continued. Then I was met by a pack of five to seven large, angry, growling, barking, hungry beasts. I dropped the trash, ran inside and got my gun and shot two warning shots in the air. Well, they left. But if they come back...no more warning.

My family has been violated enough by law-breaking, trespassing mutts.

Now here's your only and last warning: Comply with the law or pay the fine."

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"THAT'S SICK, NO ONE IN THEIR RIGHT MIND WOULD USE THAT SCALE."

Letters to the Editor...

An open letter to residents of Pahokee and members of the Chamber and Main Street

From Alice Thompson,
Chamber Secretary-Director

At the September Chamber Board meeting I was requested to address the City Commissioners in regard to the Christmas decorations, and ask for their financial commitment.

It was evident that some of those present in the audience misunderstood the request to be from me personally. It was also said that I had recently requested \$1,500 and had not accounted for it.

As to the decorations, replacements are long overdue.

The City purchased them for more than \$25,000 some 13 years ago. A committee has worked for a year to prepare the best package possible. The committee presented a package which would cost under \$15,000.

I did not serve on the committee, I only agreed to present the package to the Commissioners.

As to the \$15,000, these funds were requested by Shirley Jarriel for use in celebrating Pahokee's 75th Anniversary. An accounting of expenditures

is available through the Main Street office for interested parties.

All gifts, donations and fees are used expressly for the purposes designated. All records and monthly financial statements are available for public perusal. All meetings are made public.

Misinformation and half truths by misguided informants only serve to hinder progress. The Directors and staff welcome inquiries. Please seek the facts before participating in false reports.

Just what is your city government up to?

Come to a commission meeting and find out

Dear Editor:

I, as well as many others here in Pahokee, would like some straight answers to some urgent questions concerning many issues. These issues are kept from the public on a regular basis. The fact that so few people attend city commission meetings in Pahokee is a shame. It is also a fact that our leaders depend on and abuse on a regular basis. Their motto seems to be "What the people don't know won't necessarily hurt them, but it sure helps us get away with just about anything."

This "motto" became very apparent with the current situation regarding the future of Pahokee's fire department. The county told our city commissioners and fire chief from the beginning "it is up to you to sell this idea to the people." This is a documented fact. Our leaders, operating as usual, decided to keep the citizens of Pahokee, Canal Point and the unincorporated areas surrounding Pahokee in the dark. A few citizens were at the commission meeting when our commissioners voted to enter into negotiations with the county for consolidation of services, which they told us would be better for us all. A petition was started which asked for public meetings to discuss and possibly veto all of us. We obtained over 1,000 signatures...the largest petition in our city's history. Yet when it was presented to our leaders at the commission meeting of August 26, it was accepted with a smug attitude and seemed to be largely ignored.

The worst part of that evening was when our Vice Mayor, John Norman, after numerous requests and strong urgings from citizens to get the word out about this upcoming contract, made a very unprofessional remark about our postal service in his statement telling us he would not spend city money on mail outs to the citizens. Imagine that. The one bright part of that session was Commissioner Keith Babb's insistence on doing just the opposite of Mr. Norman. I suppose that would be called a draw, or no action warranted.

At the commission meeting this past week, many citizens basically demanded a public meeting be held and said that it was indeed up to the city and the county to inform the citizens

of the terms of the upcoming contract. We were promised the city would put flyers at businesses and send them to the churches to get the word out. Wow, they sure have a keen sense of advertising and public informational services. We pressed for more informational opportunities and were assured they would do all they could to get the word out, but still no promise of mailing.

There will be a public meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. at the Pahokee Recreation Center (old P.H.S. gym) to discuss the issues and ask and get answers to questions. I am begging **The Sun** to print this letter or at least the meeting schedule for the citizens of Pahokee. This may be the only notice they will get about the meeting. I hope not, but we will see.

There is a great need in Pahokee for people to get involved with city government. It is as simple as coming to a city commission meeting. They are held twice a month at City Hall on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. The dress is casual and every person there is given the opportunity to speak about anything they desire. The best part is watching our leaders in action. If one citizen who has never been to a meeting decided to join us, they would better understand just why our city is in the very sad shape it is in.

Oh yes, the latest "keep it quiet" tactic by city hall was an ordinance introduced this past week to raise our water and sewer rates again while offering a special contracted rate for large users of services. This is an "open-ended" option which could conceivably allow the city to sell services to these large users for one cent over cost, while the citizens of Pahokee pay more than their share. Is it fair? Is it ethical? Why weren't we told about it?

Come to the next city commission meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 23 to voice your opinion on this proposed ordinance to raise your water and sewer rates while giving special privileges to large users.

Thank you.

Larry Wright
Representing the citizens of P.E.P.U.P.
(People Enabling Pahokee to Undergo Progress)

Back to school advice for parents:
Be involved in your child's education

Children and young adults are not the only ones heading back to school this fall. Parents should be close behind, according to the National Education Association (NEA)

"A child's success (or failure) in school often

depends on the parents, particularly the extent of their involvement in their child's education," says NEA President Bob Chase. "It's important for parents to become active partners with

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Governing board gives tentative approval to budget and millage rate for FY '98

The Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District has given tentative approval to a proposed \$427,318,987 budget for fiscal year 1998. At a public hearing Wednesday, September 10, 1997, the board also set the tentative millage rate for FY'98 at .697 mills. This is a 1/40th of a mill increase over last year and applies only to the Okeechobee Basin, the larger of two taxing basins with the District's 16-county area.

A separate tax is levied for the Big Cypress Basin which includes all of Collier and part of Monroe counties. Property owners there will pay a millage

rate of .662 mills as approved by the Big Cypress Basin Governing Board.

The 1/40th of a mill levied within the Okeechobee Basin will generate \$6.6 million. The bulk of that amount will be used for local government alternative water supply projects.

For homeowners residing within the Okeechobee Basin whose house has a taxable value of \$100,000 - the tentative millage rate would mean a \$2.50 increase in their ad valorem tax over last year.

Of the total proposed '98 budget, 47.3 percent (\$202.2 million) is supported by gener-

al ad valorem tax revenue with the remaining 52.7 percent (\$225.1 million) supported by non-ad valorem/dedicated sources.

The district's enabling legislation limits the combined District-at-large and basin tax millage for each of the two basins to 3 mills. The state constitution limit is slightly higher at 1.0 mill.

Final adoption of the budget and millage rate will come at a public meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 23 at District headquarters, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach. The meeting begins at 5:15 p.m.

Rep. Minton to speak to Belle Glade Rotary

Representative Rick Minton, District 78, is scheduled to speak at the Belle Glade Rotary meeting on September 23, at noon. The meeting will take place at the Belle Glade Civic Center located at 725 S.W. 4th Street.

Rep. Minton will discuss

issues from the 1997 Legislative Session and give a preview to the 1998 session. He will also discuss bills he passed during the 1997 session, including legislation related to land management of state lands and special taxing districts. The audience will also

Grassy Waters

have an opportunity to ask questions and voice their concerns. Rep. Minton's district includes portions of Highlands, Martin, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, and St. Lucie counties. For further details, please contact Rep. Minton's Delray Beach office at 2159-1633.

Home-made boat races to be at

Have you ever built a boat? If you haven't, this is your chance!

The Grassy Waters Festival gives anyone who has always wanted to build a boat the chance to build their own boat and race it when it's finished. This event is one of the most fun and finest of the festival and will be part of the Nov. 22 event.

The committee awards a first, second, and third place

prize in two categories.

The first category is design. The second category is performance.

It's a wonderful chance for Dad and son, or Mom and daughter to spend time together building a fun project and then competing together. The sponsors for this event are U.S. Sugar Corporation and Bell South.

The boats are built of the

U.S. Sugar product, corrugate. The materials are donated by U.S. Sugar Corporation and prizes come from the Bell South donation.

The judges also award a "Broken Reel Award."

The recipient of this award is chosen for overcoming the most adversity during the race. Entries are available at the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce.

Time is running out to obtain crop insurance

USDA/Risk Management Agency announced today the sales closing date for 1998 crop insurance is September 30, 1997 for nursery, oats, potatoes (South Florida), sugarcane and wheat. Last year in Florida, a \$220.4 million in protection (liability) was provided to producers through more than 1,297 policies.

Freezing temperatures and excessive precipitation are vivid reminders that eventually everybody will have to cope with crop losses or low prices," said Robert Vollmert. "Appropriate crop or revenue insurance protection will help you survive these hardships."

Sales closing dates are significant because signing up for insurance, changing the crop

insured or level of protection, and changing insurance providers, must be done prior to the announced date. Sales closing dates vary by crop and location.

Beginning with the 1998 crop year, crop insurance is available exclusively through crop insurance agents.

USDA will continue to subsidize all policies, establish policy terms and conditions, set rates, and guarantee funds for the payment of approved claims.

Although policies previously serviced by USDA in 1997 will be randomly transferred from USDA to an insurance company, producers have the right to choose their own agent prior to the sales closing date for the

insurance crop.

To ensure that all producers are served, insurance companies are required to insure all eligible crops, and provide all levels of coverage in the states in which they operate. Producers are encouraged to contact their agent for assistance during this period of transition.

Waivers of administrative fees for producers who qualify as limited resource farmers are available from all crop insurance companies.

Private agents are willing and prepared to assist those qualifying producers with determining eligibility for waivers. A listing of crop insurance agents may be found in all local Farm Service Agency offices.

Pahokee Police Dept. arrest blotter

The Pahokee Police Department made 9 arrests or issued warrants the week of September 8-14. Those included were:

September 8 - Henry Van, 56, domestic battery; **Juvenile, 16**, simple battery and obstructing a police officer; **Juvenile, 16**, simple battery and obstructing a police officer.

September 9 - Juvenile, 12, violation of a judge's order and a pick-up order.

September 10 - Tyjuan McCoy, 19, domestic battery and warrant for battery on a pregnant woman; **Sandy Grant, 22**, throwing a deadly missile, aggravated battery; **Shawn Robertson, 27**, simple battery.

September 11 - No arrests made.

September 12 - No arrests made.

September 13 - Carlo Rainieri Jr., 20, simple battery.

September 14 - No arrests made.

Belle Glade Police Dept. arrest blotter

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 561 crime complaints and worked 18 crime scenes the week of September 8-14. Those arrested included:

September 8 - James Pringle, 45, trespassing after warning; **Johnnie Dent, 37**, violation of probation.

September 9 - Andrew Curtis Washington, 32, two counts of contempt of court, battery on a law enforcement officer and resisting arrest with violence; **Lawrence Minus, 19**, burglary of a business; **Willie James Bush, 20**, burglary of a business and petty theft; **Tavares Leon Martin, 23**, aggravated domestic battery, battery and failure to appear.

September 10 - No arrests made.

September 11 - Claymore Fields, 28, possession of

cocaine with intent to sell, possession of cocaine, and opposing and obstructing police by a disgruntled person; **Jose Mendoza, 32**, domestic battery; **Joe Thomas McDonald, 25**, two counts of domestic battery; **Anthony William McClorin, 34**, domestic battery.

September 12 - Lee Lawson, 41, loitering and prowling.

September 13 - Roosevelt Cambel, 20, grand theft auto; **Juvenile, 12**, retail theft.

September 14 - Betty Curry, 42, aggravated domestic battery; **Wylie Billups, 21**, retail theft.

The police news in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated.

Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are

welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

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Your child's education...Continued from Page 4

teachers to help their children learn. That partnership plays a role in the classroom and at home. It is a key to ensuring that all children start school ready to learn, whether it is kindergarten or college."

Research shows that when parents take an active interest in their child's education, the child does better in school. Higher grades, improved attendance, and better behavior are among the positive results.

There are many ways parents can be involved in helping their child succeed in school. Here are a few tips:

Encourage your child to read, and help with reading assignments:

- Read aloud to younger children. Get them to comment and ask questions.

- When your child first learns to read, let him read to you; listen attentively and be sure to praise his efforts.

- Have a discussion with your child about the books she reads - whatever her reading

level.

- Be a role model - make sure your child sees you reading regularly.
- Involve other family members, especially older children who can read to the younger ones.

Make homework a routine assignment:

- Let your child know studying at home is expected on a regular basis.

- Set aside a specific time and quiet place for studying - or reading - every evening, even when there is no homework assignment. Make sure the study area has appropriate lighting, a comfortable chair and enough room to spread out materials.

- Check your child's homework to make sure it is accurate, complete, and neat. Encourage your child to find and fix any spelling, grammar, or punctuation errors.

- Discuss the assignment, give your child feedback, and praise his/her efforts.

Talk to your child about

what's happening in school:

- Encourage your child to describe what the school day was like, and don't accept "nothing happened" as an answer.
- Ask questions about teachers, your child's friends, favorite subjects, and the new things he or she learned.

Talk to your child's teacher:

- Get to know all your child's teachers, and stay in touch with them.

- Ask about your child's strengths and weaknesses.

- Find out what you can do at home to monitor your child's progress and help him/her succeed in school.

The National Education Association is the nation's largest professional employee organization, representing more than 2.3 million elementary and secondary teachers, higher education faculty, educational support personnel, school administrators, retired educators, and students preparing to become teachers.

Hospice planning fish fry for Oct. 4

Hospice, Golden Glades is sponsoring a Glades fish fry on Saturday, Oct. 4 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Belle Glade Marina.

Tickets are \$6 a plate and include catfish fillets, hush

puppies, cole slaw and baked beans. Take out is also available and ticket purchasers are eligible for door prizes.

All monies raised will be used for Hospice care in the

Glades.

For tickets or additional information call Natealeah Nachman at 996-5303 or Hospice of Palm Beach County at 1-800-287-4722 extension 5145.

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Children required to keep one hand over mouth, other over forehead

"I'm a concerned parent of Pioneer Park Elementary. I have several children who attend Pioneer Park.

I was told, through rumors and other parents, that children kindergarten through second grade have to walk through the school with one hand over their mouth and the other hand above their forehead.

After a restless night, I got up one morning and with curiosity when to the school. To my surprise, I saw what was really happening and I was indeed shocked.

I would like to ask this question to the community and faculty at Pioneer Park Elementary: What sense does this make?

If this is suppose to eliminate the noise and be a better way to visualize things, I think this is inappropriate for our children.

If we lived in a city where this might help them in the near future I would say yes, I agree. But this is not needed for learning. I disagree with Pioneer Park's new way of walking the children through the school. I felt the children were making more noise under their hands with this method.

As a concerned parent, I

don't like this method and I'm going to protest to the Palm Beach County School Board about the situation and I'm sure when other parents realize what is going on, they will want to protest also.

There are some faculty who disagree with this method as well, but they are caught in the middle and it was quoted, "You must follow the decision made because your job is on the line."

I would like to know, who is Dr. Blonker? Concerned parents would like to meet him and ask him questions. We do accept answers.

Thank you from a concerned parent."

Crimestoppers

tall and he weighs 160 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes and a tattoo on his left arm. His date of birth is March 13, 1974. His Social Security Number is 294-60-1706 and his last known address was 1774 North 15th Avenue, Lake Worth. His occupation is as a laborer. His warrant was

active as of September 9, 1997.

Caution: Solis is considered armed and dangerous.

If you know the whereabouts of **Renito Efrain Solis**, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.



Renito Efrain Solis

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help locate **Renito Efrain Solis** who is wanted for failure to appear on charges of burglary while armed with a firearm, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and grand theft auto.

Solis is a black male, 6'5"



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Glades Day Gator Tales

There were lots of smiles and camera flashes this past Tuesday as students in grades Pre-K3 through 11 lined up for their annual student portraits. Once again, Moysa Studios came to the school to take the pictures. Those who ordered picture packages may expect deliveries in about three weeks.

September usually spells magazine sales for the Junior Class as they begin their annual fund raiser this Friday, Sept. 19. Students will be taking orders for just about any magazine subscription you could want in addition to CD's and tapes, so take the time to renew your subscription or try another magazine you've been thinking about. Proceeds will go towards expenses for the Junior/Senior prom next May. Sales will end Tuesday,

September 30, so don't be left out!

GDS congratulates the new class officers in grades 7-12 for the 1997/98 school year: Twelfth Grade - Nicole Alvarez, President; Carla Alvarez, Vice President; Kristy Perez, Secretary; Mary-Anne Hollingsworth, Treasurer; Eleventh Grade - Derek Lamb, President; Kit Hamilton, Vice President; Amy Hendricks, Secretary; Shanna Hartzog, Treasurer; Tenth Grade - Kelly Alvarez, President; Lindsay Curtiss, Vice President; Kara Salvatore, Secretary; Kelly Salvatore, Treasurer; Ninth Grade - Peggy Altman, President; Donna Marie Moss, Vice President; Ronda Halum, Secretary; Stephen Senff, Treasurer; Eighth Grade - Vanessa Horta, President;



Jessica Johnson, Vice President; Christin Hartzog, Secretary; Dustin Echenique, Treasurer; Seventh Grade - Natalie Alvarez, President; Brad Garrett, Vice President; Jessica Longoria, Secretary; and Ronny Brown, Treasurer. The Class Mr. & Miss for each grade are (12th) Trey Alava and Maria Pozo; (11th) Donnie Scroggs and Stephanie Stein; (10th) Jimmy Dobson and Shanell Smith; (9th) Reggie Therriault and Heather York; (8th) Justin Miller and Lauren Sweet; and (7th) Jonathan Allen and Sadie McKee.

Pahokee High Homecoming

The 1997 Pahokee High School Homecoming Parade will take place on October 10. Any organizations that would like to enter a float, marching group or decorated vehicle should contact Pahokee High School at (561) 924-6423 or (561) 924-6400 for an application. All applications should be received no later than October 3.



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Channel 5 "Schools Now" coupon sale.

Gove Elementary is kicking off the Channel 5 "Schools Now" coupon sale. For every coupon book sold, our school will keep \$7.50. The proceeds from the sales will support the field trips planned for the 1997-98 school year.

Public, Little Caesars, McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts and Bell South Mobilians are just a few of the contributors found in the book.

Gifts and prizes will be awarded to the top student sellers.

We hope you support our school by purchasing the Channel 5 "Schools Now" coupon books.

Remember, our students will be the winners!

A DESERT HABITAT

Students in Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Y. Aguirre's third grade class are learning about plants and their habitats.

As a class project, the students have created a desert scene and have planted many different kinds of plants to see which ones will survive in that kind of environment.

Predictions were made by the students as to which plants were most likely to survive under those conditions. The students are now anxiously observing to see if their predictions can be proven correctly.

Trailer fix-up project

Palm Beach Atlantic College, in collaboration with Centro Campestre and Glades Community Development Corporation, plans to offer assistance to persons who have a trailer that is in need of repair. Two meetings will be held to share information about this project.

*Saturday, September 27 at 7 p.m., St. Mary's Church, 1200 N. Main St., Pahokee, Belle Glade.

*Tuesday, September 30 at 7 p.m., Glades Community Development Corporation (Old Glades Central High School), 425 West Canal St. North, Belle Glade.

The meetings will be translated into Spanish and Haitian Creole. Encourage all people who may be interested to attend these meetings.

Programa para reparar casas moviles

La Universidad de Palm Beach Atlantic College, junto con el Centro Campestre, esta ofreciendo un programa para arreglar casas moviles que estan en mal estado. Habran dos reuniones en la comunidad sobre este proyecto:

*Sabado 27 de Septiembre a las 7 p.m., La Iglesia de Santa Maria, 1200 N. Main St., Pahokee

*Martes 30 de Septiembre a las 7 p.m., Glades Community Development Corporation (La antigua Glades Central High School), 425 West Canal St. North, Belle Glade.

Esperamos que todas las personas interesadas en este programa vengan para recibir esta informacion importante.

St. Louis Encephalitis

As of today, there is an increase of St. Louis Encephalitis viral activity in the sentinel chicken flock located in western Palm Beach County. There is also a substantial increase in the mosquito population, particularly the Culex nigripalpus which is the vector for transmission of this disease. In addition, continuing environmental conditions are attractive for the breeding of the Culex nigripalpus mosquito.

This is a continuing message of caution for all residents of Palm Beach County, particularly to those residents in our western communities.

Today, the Health Department received in its weekly report, notification of an additional confirmed, and two additional presumptive positive tests in the sentinel chicken flock in western Palm Beach County. This brings us to a total of three confirmed cases and two presumptive which are located in the west. An additional previously confirmed case was on the coast.

There are No confirmed or suspect human cases in Palm Beach County.

The Health Department continues to strongly warn residents not to participate in outside activity from dusk to dawn. Individuals who do continue to spend time out of doors during these hours should wear protective clothing (long sleeve shirts and pants), insect repellent containing the product DEET, and secure all screens.

Palm Beach County Mosquito Control will be increasing its aerial spraying and its monitoring of the mosquito population in the western part of the county.

Military News

Navy Lt. J.G. Joseph C. Nefflen, a 1990 graduate of Glades Central High School of Belle Glade, Florida, recently participated in the Atlantic Joint Task Force Exercise (LANT JTFEX 97-3) while assigned to the amphibious transport dock ship USS Shreveport, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

Nefflen was one of more than 15,000 sailors, Marines, Airmen, Soldiers and Coast Guardsmen who participated in the U.S. Navy Second Fleet exercise. In addition to U.S. assets, NATO ships from Standing Naval Forces Atlantic and ships comprising a Canadian Task Group also participated. Conducted in the western Atlantic Ocean, the predeployment exercise served as the final certification for Nefflen's ship's deployment with the USS Guam Amphibious Ready Group, part of the USS George Washington Battle Group which will deploy in September to the Mediterranean Sea.

During the exercise, Nefflen's ship was tested on its ability to deploy rapidly, conduct joint operations during a crisis, use the capabilities of an afloat command and control platform, define tactics, techniques and procedures in joint force operations, and to perform any assignments involving allies of the United States.

He joined the Navy in May 1994. Nefflen is a graduate of U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., with a BS degree.

Army Pvt. Juan G. Noyola has entered basic military training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the eight weeks of training, the soldiers will study the Army mission and will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, Army history and traditions, and special training in human relations.

Noyola is the son of Maria I. Sifuentes of Belle Glade. He is a 1997 graduate of Glades Central High School.

Obituaries

Week of September 18, 1997

Clifton L. "Tiny" Todd, age 74, prominent Pahokee business and civic leader, died Sunday morning (September 14) at his residence.

A native of Pahokee, he was born on March 26, 1923. He spent his early years in Pahokee and Belle Glade before moving to Palm Beach where he made his home for 38 years. Seven years ago he and his wife made the decision to come home and remodeled and moved into her parents' former home on Bacon Point. He was a graduate of Pahokee High School Class of 1941 and attended Utah State College and Colorado State College. A veteran of World War II, he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps. He received the World War II Victory Medal, the American Service Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal. He owned and operated the Todd Insurance Company in Belle Glade from 1946-1957 and in the Palm Beaches from 1957 to the present. Six years ago he also began selling real estate and the name of the company was changed to Todd Insurance and Realty Company.

At the time of his illness, he was in the process of purchasing the old Masonic Hall on Larrimore Road. He had planned to remodel the building and move his offices to Pahokee. He was a Senior Active Member of the Rotary Club of Pahokee and was recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow. He was a life member of the Elks Lodge and was a member of the Million Dollar Club of both the Gulf Life Insurance Company and the Chubb Life Insurance Company. Active in community affairs, he was a member of the Board of Directors of the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce and the Visions to Action Committee. He also was involved in the Visions to Action Committee. While living in Belle Glade he was a member of the Jaycees and was instrumental in organizing the first Harvest Queen Beauty Contest. In Palm Beach he was a member of the Islanders and the Friday Lunch Bunch. He was also a member of the Nazarene Church.

Surviving are: his wife - Flora Weeks (Flavly) Todd of Pahokee; his mother - Kansas Todd of Pahokee; children - Clifton Lamar Todd, Jr. and his wife Linda of Wellington; Paula, Todd Schwencke and her husband Kim of Tampa; Nola Todd Carter and her husband Randy of Hendersonville, North Carolina; Mary Beth Todd Stevenson and her husband Enoch of West Palm Beach; step-children - Edward L. Hamilton and his wife Chris of Belle Glade, C. Patrick Hamilton and his wife Barbara of Fort Charlotte, Mark Inman Hamilton and his wife Barbara of Stuart, Leah Hamilton Rico of Branford, Connecticut, and Catherine Hamilton Saunders and her husband Steve of Stockholm, Sweden; half-sister - Opal Merrill of the Acreage and Doris L. Wetherington and husband C.R. of Pahokee; 21 grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted Wednesday, September 17 at 10 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church, Pahokee. The Rev. William Dwyer, pastor, Church of the Nazarene, Pahokee, officiated. Interment was in Gardens of Port Mayaca Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Kit Hamilton, Mike Dobrow, Ryan Schwencke, C.J. Hamilton, Melvin Weeks, John Schwencke, Russell Stevenson, Brett Schwencke, and Alex Todd.

Those making an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Schwarz Kidney Dialysis Center at St. Mary's Hospital. James A. Bennett Funeral Home, Pahokee, had charge of the arrangements.

Francisco De Guzman Alinea, age 69, of Pahokee, died Tuesday, September 9, in the Everglades Regional Medical Center. A native of Cabaang, Zamboanga, Philippines, he was born on May 25, 1928, son of Florencio F. and Prosperidad de Guzman Alinea. Prior to his retirement he was employed at the U.S. Naval Base at Subic Bay, Philippines. He was a supervisor in the Naval Supply Depot. He had made his home in Pahokee since 1990. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Pahokee.

He is survived by his wife - Patricia Alinea and his daughter - Elizabeth Lopez of Pahokee. The funeral service will be conducted in the Philippines. Those making an expression of sympathy are asked to consider the Holy Name Society of St. Mary Catholic Church, Pahokee.

James A. Bennett Funeral Home had charge of the arrangements.

Happy 5th Birthday

9/14/92

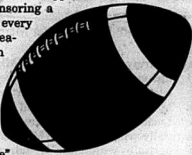
Mitasha Na'Kenge Brown

Mommy & Daddy Mr. & Mrs. Tom Brown

9-5-97 Players of the Week

Steve Moore Chevrolet is proud to support our communities youth by sponsoring a "Player of the Game" award at every game for this entire football season to four of our local high school football teams: Glades Central Community High School, Glades Day School, Pahokee High School and Clewiston High School.

The students that are chosen as the "Player of the Game" will be presented a plaque, a shirt with their schools emblem on it and will be pictured in the Sun Newspaper and the Clewiston News.



Eric Moore of Pahokee High School is awarded the "Player of the Week" by Carl Morrison of Steve Moore Chevrolet.



Brad Banks of Glades Central being awarded "Player of the Week" by Carl Morrison of Steve Moore Chevrolet.



One more win for Ike Powell!

By Jennie M. Sears

Reporter
Again, Ike Powell wins the boxing match last Friday night at the Mahi Civic Center in Miami. After one minute and 47 seconds Ike threw the final punch that knocking out his opponent.

Ike is now 4-0. "Ike is very talented, but we still have a lot of hard training to do," says Trainer Nelson Lopez, Sr.

Powell will be taking three weeks off from boxing, but will return rested and ready for the next match, which will be scheduled in about 7 weeks.



"If we remain victorious throughout the next several fights, we are sure to have a title fight very soon," said Nelson.

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Helicopter Flights:
Utilization of a helicopter is an efficient and cost effective way to cover the area to check on the status of permitted projects and to identify problem areas.

Steinman, Director of the Okeechobee Systems Research Division at 561-687-6492.

Research activity is ongoing on the Kissimmee River for studies related to the river's channelization and upcoming restoration project. SFWMD scientists are researching the fish communities in the channelized system, as well as bird responses to the restored ecosystem. For more information, please contact Dr. Lou Toth of the SFWMD Kissimmee River Restoration Division at 561-687-6615.

Several groups of scientists are also working out of the Riverwoods Field Laboratory, which is jointly operated by the Center for Environmental Studies out of Florida Atlantic University and the SFWMD. These researchers are studying invertebrates, amphibians and reptiles. The Riverwoods facility is located in Cornwell in Highlands County and the Director is Carlos de la Rosa, Ph.D. For more information on research activities, those with Internet access are invited to view the field lab home page at www.ces.fau.edu/7070/index.htm.

Outreach:

Gary Ritter, a supervising professional at the Okeechobee Service Center, presented a program on the Kissimmee-Okeechobee-Everglades ecosystem to the Exchange Club in West Palm Beach on Sept. 17.

Gary is a member of the SFWMD Speaker's Bureau, which can provide speakers to various organizations on a wide range of topics. If you wish to schedule a speaker, please call the SFWMD Okeechobee Service Center at 941-462-5260 or at 1-800-250-4200. If you are outside the area, you may phone Sharon

Hasty at the SFWMD Headquarters in West Palm Beach. Her telephone number is 1-800-435-2045, ext. 6844. You also may dial Sharon directly by calling 561-687-6844.

Structure Maintenance and Operations:

Routine maintenance is planned by the Okeechobee Field Station at the S-129 pump station at Bear Beach, as well as at the G-36 structure at Henry Creek and the S-131 structure at Lakeport. The S-127 pump station at Buckhead Ridge also is scheduled for pressure cleaning and painting.

Clewiston Field Station crews will be working on the L-20 levee at Boks Canal to improve the slope and grade of the levee bank. At the C-20 canal in Moore Haven, a crane is being used to clear the structure of water hyacinth. On C-19 a culvert will be installed just north of S-47B structure.

Navigation will not be impeded by any of these activities. These scheduled activities are subject to change in an emergency situation.

Questions? If you have any questions about SFWMD activities in or around Lake Okeechobee, please contact Missie Barletto or Steve Johnson at the SFWMD Okeechobee Service Center. If you have a topic that you would like to see addressed in this column, write to Missie Barletto at the SFWMD Okeechobee Service Center, 205 E. North Park St., Okeechobee, FL 34972. For more information on the District, visit our Internet home page at www.sfwmd.gov.

Thanks for your interest, until next week...



Pictured above are the Glades Central Track team left to right: Marvin Bazile, Theo Jacobs, Sonya Manderville, Faryl Morris, Melissa Mata, Maurice Humphrey and Coach Frank Lasagna.

Literacy Day at Pioneer Park Elementary

The Sugar Bears (Students) of Pioneer Park Elementary were honored to have members of our community read to our students on September 8. The students enjoyed the reading sessions, and the school received benefit from the assistance. Thanks to Mayor Steve Weeks, Reverend and Mrs. Craig Hartzog, Ms. Ann Lovell, Ms. Barbara Miedema, and Mr. John Gray.

We are pleased to have community members visit our school anytime to read to our students or present other activities to the classrooms. Anyone interested may call (561)993-4480 and ask to speak to the principal, assistant principal, librarian, volunteer coordinator, Guidance counselor, or the reading facilitator. We will happily accommodate you.

The teachers and staff of Pioneer Park Elementary have high expectations for our students this year, particularly in academic. Our focus is on literacy, writing, math (3's), and technology. Our Success For All reading program has greatly improved students' reading abilities, both skills and comprehension. We have begun Reading Recovery to improve



computers in classrooms and labs for all phases of literacy, writing, and math. We welcome assistance from parents and other community volunteers in helping us meet our goals for this school year.

Thanks to Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida for lending our school a Macintosh computer on which to run our school-wide reading database program. This will greatly help with grouping and with providing information so that teachers can better assist all the students of Pioneer Park Elementary.

reading through one-on-one tutoring. We are emphasizing thinking and computer usage through the developing of higher order thinking skills (HOTS). Our students use

Nobody Walks Alone

Bernice Smith

Died September 21, 1993 - Remembered September 21, 1997

Oftimes when the highway of life seems rough

And all of your dreams have flown,

Just remember: wherever your road may go,

Nobody walks alone.

Even though you are not with us anymore,

We want you to know that we miss your love

and your presence. You will always be with us, in our minds and our hearts for all eternity, Mom.

Remembering you with all our love,

your children and grandchildren.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Pahokee will hold a public hearing on September 30, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. at the old high school gym on East Main Street. The purpose of the hearing will be to enable citizens to express their views on the proposed joint agreement for fire/rescue service with Palm Beach County. If you have any questions please call Ken Schenck, City Manager or Fire Chief Gary Burroughs at 924-5534.

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This week, scientists will be collecting data from automatic oxygen recorders at a mid-lake site, and working in the Moore Haven region of the marsh to "ground truth" aerial photographs for vegetation maps. For more information about these research projects, you may contact Dr. Alan

Old Farmer's Almanac predictions

By Mike Lyons

The man wanted to know if I had a copy of the Old Farmer's Almanac. Sure, I replied with a big smile on my face. I have this year's edition back in the office.

The man, one of my fellow workers, said he'd like to have a look at it. He said he was planning a family reunion several months down the road and wanted to know what kind of weather to expect.

At first, I thought he was joking. After all, people like to poke fun at weather forecasters.

But, this guy was serious. Before he made any plans for this family reunion he wanted to consult the Old Farmer's Almanac.

He didn't care about my sophisticated computers full of satellite pictures, Doppler radar images and upper air patterns. He wasn't interested when I told him about the new long-range forecasts from the National Weather Service and how accurate those predictions had become.

"Just give me the Old Farmer's Almanac," he said, "and I'll be fine."

Chances are there are thou-

Mike Lyons

sands, perhaps millions, of other people who, like my friend, believe in the weather forecasting ability of the Old Farmer's Almanac.

One fact is certain; the Almanac has issued more predictions than any other publication. For over 200 years, the Old Farmer's Almanac has been taking a stab at next year's weather for every part of the country.

Most of the time, according to the Almanac's publisher, it hits the mark. In fact, the Almanac says its weather forecasts are correct 80 percent of the time.

I don't see how anyone can doubt that percentage especially given the wording of an Almanac forecast. Take the first week of August, 1998, for

example. The Almanac boldly predicts "our weather will be 'seasonable with a few thunderstorms'."

Thunderstorms in Florida in August? Gee, the Almanac is really going out on a limb with that prediction. That's like me forecasting "mostly dark tonight, followed by widely scattered light in the morning." (Of course, if that forecast is wrong then I think we're all in trouble.)

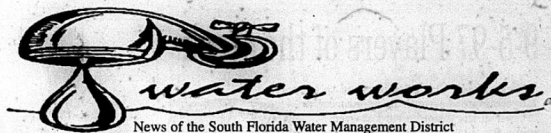
Still, people do rely on the Almanac and wait breathlessly each September to see what kind of winter is headed their way. So, as a public service, I present the Old Farmer's Almanac's predictions for 1997-98.

"The year ahead may be the warmest on record," says the Almanac. Look for "a mild winter" in much of the country with a "substantial risk of a drought next summer" across the nation's breadbasket.

Here in Florida, the Almanac says "temperatures from November to March will average near normal, with below normal rainfall. That is a very interesting forecast for us considering we are in the midst of one of the strongest El Niño's on record. In past years, an El Niño means a cool, wet winter here in Florida.

The Almanac doesn't say much about tropical storms or hurricanes around here next year. However, it does predict a "possible tropical storm" affecting the Northeast next August.

While I like to poke fun at the Almanac's weather forecasts, I will never forget one Almanac prediction that was right on the mark. The Almanac's forecast for 1992 included these words for late August: "possible hurricane in South Florida." That "possible hurricane" turned out to be Hurricane Andrew.



News of the South Florida Water Management District

Welcome to Water Works. This weekly column is intended to provide information of interest to residents around Lake Okechobee concerning the activities of the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD). Each week you are invited to look for this column not only to learn more about us, but also to see what type of activities we are planning in your area.

The South Florida Water Management District is one of five such districts in the State of Florida charged with managing the state's water resources. Water management district boundaries are based on natural, hydrologic basins rather than political jurisdictions to allow for effective and efficient planning and management.

There are two primary basins in the SFWMD. The Okechobee Basin encompasses the massive Kissimmee-Okechobee-Everglades (KOE) ecosystem, which stretches from Central Florida's Chain of Lakes to Lake Okechobee, and south through the Everglades to the Florida Keys. It includes the 700,000-acre Everglades Agricultural area, the heavily populated southeast coast and Everglades National Park. The Big Cypress Basin includes all of Collier and part of Monroe counties, the Big Cypress National Preserve and 10,000 Islands.

The largest of the five water management districts, the boundaries of the SFWMD encompass all or part of 16 counties and cover a total area of 17,930 square miles. Almost six million people live within the SFWMD. Those counties

entirely within SFWMD include Broward, Collier, Dade, Glades, Hendry, Lee, Martin, Monroe, Palm Beach and St. Lucie. Counties which are partially within the SFWMD and partially within the boundary of the Southwest Florida Water Management District include Charlotte, Highlands and Polk. Orange and Osceola counties, as well as a very small portion of Okechobee County, also fall within the St. John's River Water Management District. A map of the water management district boundaries is available at the SFWMD Okechobee Service Center in downtown Okechobee.

Check this column next week for more information about the SFWMD, but now let's look at what you may see doing in your neighborhood this week:

Aquatic Plant Spraying Activities:
SFWMD herbicide crews will be working on Lake Okechobee this week to treat infestations of both water hyacinth and water lettuce. These non-native plants have few natural enemies in this area and can become an impediment to navigation, as well as preventing the growth of more desirable native vegetation.

On the north end of Lake Okechobee, crews will be spraying both banks of Government Out to the west cattail line of the Kissimmee River, as well as from S 65E on the Kissimmee River south of Lake Okechobee. Contract harvesting crews also will be working the Pearce and Cody Cover area removing floating tussocks.

At the south end of the Lake,

crews will be working on the interior of Kreamer and Ritta islands, in addition to the lake side of Pelican Bay and plan to do a touch up on Halifax Bank.

Floating tussocks, which are dense mats of aquatic vegetation traveling through the system much like small islands, could create potential problems for navigation and flood control around the Lake. These tussocks are more frequent during rainy times and will be treated when impeding navigation. The potential for a problem is anticipated in the Rim Can near Moore Haven.

Maps indicating areas where spray crews will be working are posted every two weeks at all public boat ramps around Lake Okechobee, as well as at local bait and tackle shops. Please refer to these maps to see exact locations of spray activities, as well as a description of the herbicides being used. The areas posted are subject to change should a problem such as blocked navigation or flood protection structures, be determined. For daily information about the Aquatic Plant Management Program, or to leave a comment about the program, please call our "Aquatic Plant Hotline" at 1-800-637-7516.

Inmate Labor:
State prisoners from the Okechobee Correctional Institution continue to clear the historic Kissimmee River bank of dense vegetation at the Edna Pearce Lockett Estate on the corner of Hwy. 95 and CR 721 in Highlands County.

Prison labor also is being utilized by the SFWMD Okechobee Field Station to build fences along District right of ways in glades and Highlands counties.

A primary task of State of Florida Department of Corrections inmate work crews in Highlands, Glades, Okechobee, Martin and St. Lucie counties is to keep culverts which cannot be reached by mechanical means free of aquatic vegetation. This is important to maintain flood protection in the area. Should a problem with blocked culverts arise, work crews will be pulled from other jobs to perform this priority task.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADMINISTRATION TO ESTATE OF ANNE MARIE ROBINSON, ALIEN

Petitioner, Carol Niemi, as personal representative of the estate of Anne Marie Robinson, alias:

1. This estate consists of a one-half interest in the following described property:

Shirley Robinson, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

2. There exist outstanding bills and debts of the deceased that require payment and there are no assets of the estate (other than provided above).

3. The Petitioner considers that it is expedient, necessary and in the best interest of the estate to sell the above described property in order to provide funds for the above stated reasons.

4. A signed contract for sale and purchase of the above referred real property has been executed and is attached to the petition for mediation.

5. The contract for sale and purchase was executed on or about February 24, 1997 and the potential buyers have also conditioned the contract upon the terms that they are able to complete the sale prior to August 31, 1997.

Wherefore, Petitioner asks for an Order of the Court to the effect of the above described property upon the terms and conditions set forth within the petition for mediation and for the following:

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Legal No. 70-104

INVITATION TO BID

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NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The City of Pahokee has tentatively adopted a budget for fiscal year 1997 - 1998. A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on September 23, 1997, 7:30 P.M. at City Hall, Commission Chambers, 171 North Lake Avenue, Pahokee, Florida.

Publish September 18, 1997

BUDGET SUMMARY

CITY OF PAHOKEE - FISCAL YEAR 1997 - 1998

	General Fund	Water and Sewer Fund	Solid Waste Fund	Marina Campground Fund	Cemetery Fund	Total
Cash Balance Brought Forward	300,000	1,275,000	2,440		64,000	1,641,440
Estimated Revenues:						
Taxes:	Millage per \$1000					
Ad Valorem Taxes	7.3506	400,467				400,467
Sales and Use Taxes		103,000				103,000
Franchise Fees		226,200				226,200
Utility Service Taxes		356,370				356,370
Licenses and Permits		55,350				55,350
Intergovernmental Revenue		1,165,401				1,165,401
Charges for Services		8,815	2,032,200	521,000	135,000	2,860,615
Fines and Forfeits		13,050	91,000		163,600	104,050
Interest Earnings & Rents		98,238	55,950		1,800	155,988
Enterprise Management Fees		432,822				432,822
Misc Rev/CSC Repayment		27,500		9,050		221,580
Interfund Transfers						
Total Estimated Revenues	2,887,213	2,364,180	521,000	144,050	165,400	6,081,843
Total Estimated Revenues & Balances	3,187,213	3,639,180	523,440	144,050	229,400	7,723,283
Expenditures/Expenses:						
General Government	721,070					721,070
Public Safety	1,374,294					1,374,294
Physical Environment		1,801,877	521,000			2,322,877
Road and Street Expenses	283,181					283,181
Human Services					165,400	165,400
Culture and Recreation	379,973			144,050		524,023
Debt Service	128,695	796,834				925,529
Interfund Transfers						
General Services Expenses						
Total Estimated Expenditures/Expenses	2,887,213	2,598,711	521,000	144,050	165,400	6,316,374
Reserves	300,000	1,040,469	2,440		64,000	1,406,909
Total Appropriated Expenditures & Reserves	3,187,213	3,639,180	523,440	144,050	229,400	7,723,283
THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD. Publish Date September 18, 1997						

BUSINESS REVIEW

BANK OF BELLE GLADE

The Bank of Belle Glade is proud of our heritage of independence, strength and local service to the people of the Glades. Bank of Belle Glade was founded by Glades People to serve the Glades first. We've built our reputation by providing banking services in step with the needs of people who make the Glades their home.

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When it comes to security, it is important to know that Bank of Belle Glade has been a Community Bankers of Florida Winners Circle Award winner for sound management and fiscal responsibility every year since the award began.

Bank of Belle Glade is the hometown independent bank for Belle Glade, Pahokee, South Bay and all the Glades, and that's why it should be your bank.

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DUNKIN' DONUTS

Third-generation independent businessmen James Houston III, 31, and his father, James Houston Jr. bet on the power of Dunkin' Donuts reputation for great donuts, coffee and baked goods in September of 1996 when they opened a Dunkin' Donuts in Belle Glade. In 1997, they bet again and opened another franchise in Clewiston.

The Houstons have been involved in real estate, construction and land development since the first James Houston began buying properties here 65 years ago. The Houstons typify the new breed of sophisticated, entrepreneurial franchise owners Dunkin' Donuts management says they are seeking.

"Andrew L. Botwick, the company's regional franchise licensing manager, says, 'We're awarding franchises now to those who have both a talent for making customers happy and the management, planning and financial strength to open groups of stores.' The Houstons development agreement with Dunkin' donuts calls for the development of at least three shops in their more than 70 mile wide development area. They plan to open a third Dunkin' Donuts shop in the future in the West Palm Beach bedroom community of Wellington.

The Houstons' deep roots in Belle Glade led them to believe the shops would do well. "We approached Dunkin' Donuts initially because of an awareness that brand-name businesses in small towns do very well," said James Houston, III, who holds an MBA in finance from Atlanta University. He returned to Belle Glade about four years ago, after his grandfather passed away, to administer the family holdings here, mostly single and multi-unit residential properties. The elder Mr. Houston travels back and forth between Belle Glade and their holdings in Kansas City, Missouri, where another son, Ricardo, manages their 39 commercial and residential properties in that city.

Dunkin' Donuts has proven to be a hit for residents in Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay. The recently-opened franchise in Clewiston is also a hit with residents of that city.

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John O. Schlechter is always behind the scenes working in a positive manner to enhance the lives of our citizens and contribute to a positive image of our community.

A son of the Glades, Schlechter is a man of the soil like his father and grandfather before him. Today, he continues to farm the land settled by his grandparents who perished in the 1928 hurricane. Schlechter bought out his father, Walter Schlechter, several years ago from the farming operations. Not content with the inactivity, the elder Schlechter started another highly successful enterprise, which he later sold to his son. This business, Everglades Farm Equipment is an ongoing and important part of our economy.

John Schlechter has been an inspiration and driving force behind programs that have for years benefited all the youth of Belle Glade. He can always be counted upon to sponsor ball teams and be there in person to cheer them to victory.

His character is evidenced by the support and leadership he has exhibited in his own church, in the local schools, and in area service clubs. Among his honors are the Agri-Industrial Man of the Year and Glades Day School's Fan of the Year, which is entirely voted upon and presented by student athletes.

Known by those who have had the good fortune to work closely with him over the many years as a man asking not how little is acceptable, John Schlechter is known for asking what will it take to get the job done. And then, he tackles the task.

John is the father of four sons; Ken, Bill, Mike and Tom. He and his wife, Eleanor, have six grandchildren.

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GLADES AG SERVICE

Glades AG Service is known for dependable, safe aerial spraying services throughout the area. Their licensed aviators are trained to understand this business, assuring farmers that their land will be properly seeded, fertilized and sprayed for unwanted weeds and pests. These professionals strive to provide unexcelled service in all phases of aerial agriculture.

Glades AG Service has the best equipment available in the industry for aerial application. We installed GPS Swath marking equipment two years ago, and the last year installed flow control valves.

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Glades Day School operates on a 20-acre main campus one mile north of downtown Belle Glade. The elementary school serves Pre-K3 through sixth grades. The high school serves grades 7-12.

Physical facilities include 2 science labs, 2 computer labs in the high school building and 1 in the elementary, a cafeteria/auditorium, performing/fine arts facilities (band, glee club and art), and a newly remodeled gymnasium which includes a weight room and trainer's room, athletic fields and an elementary playground.

The elementary curriculum encompasses the junior academic program as well as art, music, physical education, Spanish and computer skills. A Specific Learning Disabilities program for students diagnosed as SLD is also available.

A two-track program of studies is offered on the high school level; academic and advanced academic. While both tracks focus on teaching each student the essential skills in the core curriculum areas of language arts, mathematics, science and social studies, the advanced academic track also focuses on college preparatory classes. Enrichment programs are provided in computer science, foreign language, music (instrumental and vocal), and physical education.

With a football program second to none, the "Fighting Gators" can boast of 4 state championships, most recently the 1995 Class 2A Championship. Additional features that GDS offers include interscholastic athletics (basketball, volleyball, baseball, softball, tennis and golf) for boys and girls, Academic Games competition, marching and concert bands, Glee Club, a variety of clubs/organizations, lunch program and bus transportation.

Admission policies require a personal interview, transcripts, teacher recommendations, and test results. Financial aid is available in the form of tuition assistance.

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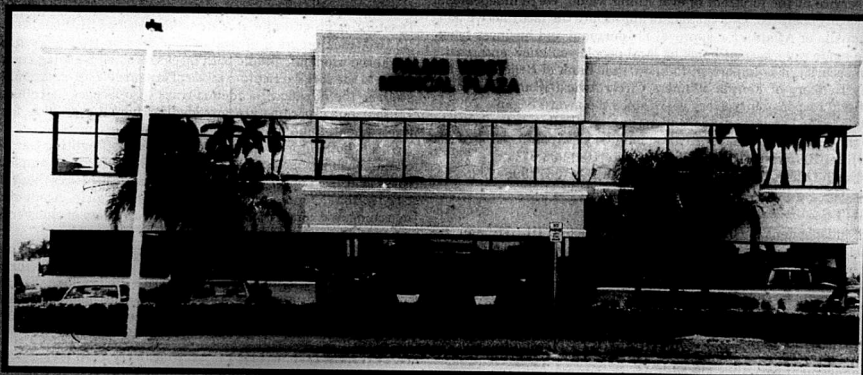
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Treatment of heel spurs may include anti-inflammatory medications, physical therapy, arch supports and surgical release of the plantar fascia. Taking aspirin or ibuprofen as directed, until the symptoms subside, can help to reduce tissue inflammation. The use of heating pads followed by ice, applied to the heel, is an excellent way to reduce pain and inflammation. Avoid physical activities and wear a good supportive shoe. Never walk barefoot as long as the heel is painful. If these maneuvers fail to resolve your pain, see a foot and ankle specialist.

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Gator Alex Molares was awarded the *Player of the Week* award from Steve Moore Chevrolet of Belle Glade. Molares is a senior at Glades Day School. He is the running back and strong safety defense for the Gators and has been a member of the varsity team for three years. Pictured are Alex Molares and Larry Barnes



Former Glades Day School's Headmaster Buddy Sizemore received the game ball signed by all the Varsity Gators after last Friday's game against King's Academy.

Glades Central Raiders win second district match-up with 73-0 close-out over Royal Palm Beach

Next up Clewiston Tigers, Friday night at Raider Field

Brenda Bunting
Editor

"Royal Palm Beach is going to have some great players in the future. Right now, they're in the building stage and the kids are young," said Glades Central 1 Community High School's coach Milton Watson. "We didn't go out there to run the score up, but they didn't quit."

Next week Clewiston plays at Glades Central field. "This should be a hell of a game," said Watson. "This is a very well coached team. Coach Morrell is going to have them fired up."

"Hosting the game on the Raiders home field should be an advantage, though," says coach Watson.

Glades Central lost 19 seniors last year, so the Raiders are also in a building year. Coach Watson notes several players are already showing their stuff this year, including quarter back Brad Banks, running back Arthur Brown, and running back Makia Campbell.

"Reggie Vickers, a tenth grader, is catching the ball well and has scored 2-3 touch downs already," said coach Watson.

"On defense, Santonio Thomas, another tenth grader, did a magnificent job on the defensive line," Watson added.

Raiders play Clewiston High at home field on Friday night at 7:30 p.m.

Glades Central 73,	GP	RPB
Royal Palm Beach 0		
First downs	5	4
Rushing yds.	244	34
Passing yds.	94	53
Passes	9-5	5-15-1
Fumbles lost	1-0	2-1
Punts (No avg.)	4-30	0-0
Yards pen.	4-30	5-60
G. Central 35	0	24 8 73
Royal Pm.	0	0 0 0 0
GC-A. Thomas 15 pass from Banks (Huertas kick)		
GC-Brown 12 run (kick failed)		
GC-Brown 35 punt block for TD (Huertas kick)		
GC-Campbell 26 run (Banks 2 pt. conv.)		
GC-Brown 16 run (Huertas kick)		
GC-Campbell 26 run (Walker 2 pt. conv.)		
GC-Lawrence 19 run (Huertas kick)		
GC-Safety on blocked punt		
GC-Lawrence 34 run (kick failed)		
GC-Miller 6 run punt on blocked punt (Jones 2pt. conv.)		

Sports Briefs.....

Golf

Steve Haller Memorial Tee-off for Kids Golf Tournament, Sept., 27...

Steve Haller Memorial Tee-off for Kids West County Mental Health Clinic and the Palm Beach Sheriff's office will host their annual "Steve Haller Memorial Tee-off for Kids Golf Tournament" on Saturday, September 27, 1997 at the Belle Glade Municipal Golf Course. Proceeds from the tournament benefit the children's programs of the clinic and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's office Explorer Post 6611.

The tournament is a four person scramble format. Registration is \$40 and includes 18 holes of golf, green and cart fees, on course lunch, door prize and gift bag. Some lucky player will win a new Buick LaSabe courtesy of Steve Moore of Belle Glade by making a hole in one. Other prizes include week-end getaways, golf equipment, dinners and free rounds of golf. Golfers may register by calling the Golf Course at 561-996-6605.

Underwriters for the event are Steve Moore, Inc., of Belle Glade; Craig Smith and Associates; Browning-Ferris Industries; Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida, Inc.; and Wedgworth Farms, Inc.

The committee is also asking for support in the form of tee and cart sponsorship. Cart sponsorship are \$25 and tee sponsorship are \$100. To sponsor a cart or tee, or to donate items to be used as prizes, please contact Joseph Amato at 561-992-1330 or Sgt. John Raulerson or Det. George Peck at 561-996-1670.

Alan Jones Memorial Golf Tournament, September 20th at Clewiston Course

The Clewiston Elks Lodge is sponsoring the Alan Jones Memorial Golf Tournament Saturday, September 20, at the Clewiston Golf Course.

Entry Fee is \$30 for members of the course and \$35 for non-members (limited to the first 120 to sign up). Applications must be in the Pro Shop by the entry deadline September 18. You do not have to be an Elk member to play.

Awards will be given for all par three's, closest to the pin, and longest drive.

Alan Jones was an active member of the Clewiston Elks Lodge and an officer in the District and Grand Lodge. He was an avid golfer and had a major part in planning the Elk's Scholarship Tournaments in the past. Mr. Jones died last summer. The Lodge honored Mr. Jones by changing their annual tournament name to the Alan Jones Memorial Golf Tournament.

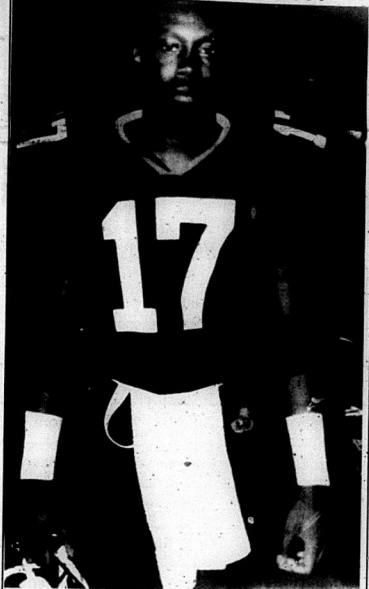
Bass Fishing

14th Annual Ghosts & Goblins Open. October 19th

Winn Dixie and the March of Dimes presents the 14th Annual Ghost & Goblins Open, Bass Tournament on Sunday, October 19, 1997, 3 p.m. at the Clewiston Public Boat Ramp on Lake Okechobee, officiated by Big Reel Bass Masters of Margate and live entertainment will be provided by "Fishbone Fred", the singing fisherman. Entry fees will be \$110 per team - tax deductible. Money Orders, cashiers check or cash only after Oct. 1, 1997.

Registration will be held October 18, at Angler's Marina, Clewiston, between 1-5 p.m. Contact Larry McNamara (954) 428-9183 or Jerry Doyle (954) 741-4928.

Go Raiders !!!



Glades Central Quarter Back Brad Banks completed 3 of 4 passes for 66 yards in last Friday's game against Royal Palm Beach. Photo by Big "A" Vereen

Pahokee looking forward to game against Suncoast after last Friday's loss to William T. Dwyer 17-7

Pahokee Blue Devils will host the Suncoast Chargers this Friday night.

Both teams are coming in after a loss last week. Pahokee is now 0-2 in the district.

Pahokee finished last weeks game with 228 yards to Dwyers 126. But were unable to make the necessary connections to score.

Anquan Boldin rushed 25 times for 125 yards, completed 3 passes for 62 yards and punted 7 times for a 37

yard average. Hendrix went in on a 3 yard run to score the only TD for Pahokee of the game. Rodriguez kicked the PAT. Pahokee was unable to score for the rest of the evening.

Pahokee penalized 12 times for a total of 102 yards.

The Suncoast Chargers lost last week to Palm Beach Lakes 17-14. This weeks game will be held in Pahokee. Kick off is at 7:30 p.m.



#29 Nakia Campbell scored three TD's for the Glades Central Raiders in last Friday's game. Photo by Big "A"

Glades Day Gators travel to American Heritage

after last weeks 27-0 win over King's Academy

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

Glades Day Gators Head Coach Pete Walker says the game against Kings Academy last Friday night was a little tougher than they anticipated - even though they won the game 27-0.

"Our defense did great. They only gave up a total of two yards in the game," said Coach Walker.

Coach Walker also noted several players who stood out this week, including Zack Threlkel who was 11 of 17 for 174 yards, and got three TD passes. "He also ran eight times for 44 yards," notes Coach Walker.

"Zach was on top his game Friday night," he added.

"Alex Molares also had a

good night," Coach Walker said. "Molares got 107 yards, in 17 carries and one TD."

"Kyle McDonald and John Courson both had six tackles a piece," said Coach Walker. "They were both forces on defense," he said. Next week, the Gators play American Heritage in an away game.

"This is usually a pretty tough game," said Walker, who notes that his cousin, Byron Walker is the head coach. Byron was Glades Day School's head coach for many years. "We've beat them the last four out of five years, but this is a big battle, especially on their turf."

Game to be held at American Heritage. Kick off at 7:30 p.m.

PIGSKIN PICKS

STANDINGS

	Last Wk.	All
•Big A	6-4	15-5
•Jim Cochran	6-4	15-5
•Toni Jennings	7-3	16-4
•Jimmy Beno	7-3	16-4
•Gary Melvin	6-4	16-4
•Clay Connell	5-5	14-6
•Robert Archer	8-2	17-3

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MATCHUPS

Glades Central vs Clewiston	Raiders	Raiders	Raiders	Raiders	Raiders	Raiders	Raiders
Pahokee vs. Suncoast	B. Devils	B. Devils	B. Devils	B. Devils	B. Devils	B. Devils	Suncoast
Glades Day vs American Heritage	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators
Univ. of Fla. Gators vs. Tennessee	Gators	Gators	Gators	Tennessee	Gators	Gators	Gators
Miami Hurricanes vs. Pittsburgh	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Pittsburgh
Florida Seminoles vs Clemson	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles
University of S. Fla. vs. Drake	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	Drake
Miami Dolphins vs. Tampa Bay	Dolphins	Bucs	Dolphins	Bucs	Dolphins	Dolphins	Bucs
Michigan State vs. Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Michigan St.	Michigan St.	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Michigan St.
Ohio State vs. Arizona	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State	Arizona	Ohio State	Ohio State

STANDINGS

	Last Wk.	All
•Mike Burkett	8-2	17-3
•Billy Rimes	7-3	14-6
•Hattie Bennett	6-4	14-6
•Vera Robinson	7-3	14-6
•Steve Stafford	6-4	14-6
•Donny Moss	6-4	14-6
•Penny Lester	6-4	13-7

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Glades Day vs American Heritage	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators
Univ of Fla Gators vs. Tennessee	Gators	Gators	Gators	Gators	Tennessee	Gators	Gators
Miami Hurricanes vs. Pittsburgh	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Pittsburgh	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Hurricanes	Hurricanes
Florida Seminoles vs Clemson	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles	Seminoles
University of S. Fla. vs. Drake	U.S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U. S. Fla	U.S. Fla	U. S. Fla
Miami Dolphins vs. Tampa Bay	Bucs	Dolphins	Bucs	Dolphins	Bucs	Dolphins	Dolphins
Michigan State vs. Notre Dame	Michigan St.	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame
Ohio State vs. Arizona	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State	Ohio State

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There's a tie for first

It's nose-to-nose as two of our players are 17-3 this week. Robert Archer with First Community Bank and Mike Burkett with Lake Hardware and Farm Supply tied for first place this week.

Robert likes to watch all the teams play and does all his picking himself. He says he's been playing the Pigskin Predictions game for three years now and hasn't won yet...but he has a new strategy this year. "Go against everything I think should happen," he says. "Maybe this way I'll win!"

Mike Burkett says he has a trophy he won a few years ago to prove he's good at this game, but he hasn't won in the past two years, even though he's come very close.

"Robert's probably got it right this year," he said. "You gotta pick with your head and not your heart to win at this game!"

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Well, we got lucky and had another hurricane miss us. Maybe we won't have any come our way this year. I for one will be happy to see them all go out to sea.

The weather has still been hot, although the clouds sometimes really help. The lake is rising back to a level that makes it a lot easier to get around. It also has and will continue to make the fishing better. I talked to Tony Grispino, one of the local



Walt Reynolds

guides, and he has been catching some nice fish early in the

mornings. Tony says the best way to catch them is to use a Pop "R" and fish it very slow. He said most of the hits came as the lure was sitting almost perfectly still.

The water has cleaned up a lot and as long as we don't have any high winds, it should stay clear. That is important so that the grass may get started to grow back before winter and the short daylight hours return. Some of the better areas that are holding fish now

are the East Wall, Coot Bay and the Monkey Box.

I invite all of you computer folks out there to visit our web site at www.probbass.com. You will find a lot of the local guides there and all kinds of information about the professional tours.

To all a good bite...



Duck hunting opportunities abound in northern Everglades

The Everglades mean bass fishing to some folks and deer hunting to others, but many sportsmen don't realize the vast sawgrass marsh is excellent duck hunting country.

Mike Anderson, a wildlife biologist with the Florida Game and Freshwater Fish Commission (GFC), is optimistic about the upcoming waterfowl season which will begin with early duck season September 20-24. The regular duck season dates will be announced sometime that same month.

The Pembroke Pines based biologist works the Everglades and Francis S. Taylor Wildlife Management Area which encompasses 700,000 acres of northern Everglades in western Palm Beach, Broward and Dade counties. He describes it as excellent waterfowl hunting habitat.

Waterfowl biologists are predicting a fall flight of 92 million birds this year, up from 89 million last year. Surveys in the breeding grounds of Canada and the northern prairie states recorded 42.5 million breeders, the highest number since the

surveys began in 1955.

"It could be a great year, but everything is dependent on the weather," Anderson said. "Last year our hopes for an excellent season were never realized due to the mild winter. The ducks were scattered, and shooting opportunities relatively few. We hope this year will be different."

A great portion of the Everglades is accessible to duck hunters using airboats and kicker boats," Anderson said. Their target during early duck season will be green-winged teal, blue-winged teal and Florida ducks.

The area south of Alligator Alley may be accessed at the Holiday Fish Camp located on the west side of U.S. 27, a few miles south of the Alley.

The area north of Alligator Alley may be accessed at the Sawgrass Fish Camp on the east side of U.S. 27, a few miles north of the Alley. There are also boat ramps along the Alley and the Tamiami Trail.

Anderson said. Water Conservation Area 3A South, and Water Conservation Area 2A should provide excellent

duck hunting opportunities. The only closed area is the 10,000 acre pocket which lies between the L-67A and L-67C levees.

Duck hunters will have easier access to the 3A South this year off of the L-67A canal. Early this spring, the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), in cooperation with the GFC, created eight cuts along the western side of the canal to provide entry for sportsmen. The cuts are marked with signs.

"Sportsmen using the marsh access points should remember that all boats within the area must display a 10 inch by 12 inch orange flag suspended from a pole measuring ten feet from the bottom of the boat," Anderson said. "This is a safety precaution to avoid collisions

with airboats using the area."

Another nearby area which provides duck hunting opportunities is the Holey Land Wildlife Management Area. The 35,350 acre tract is located in southwest Palm Beach County. Access is off U.S. 27 at the Broward/Palm Beach county line.

Shooting hours during early duck season are one half hour before sunrise to sunset. It is legal to take Florida duck, green-winged teal and blue-winged teal. The bag limit is no more than four ducks per day. Possession limit is eight.

Those seeking more information regarding duck hunting opportunities in the Everglades and Francis S. Taylor Wildlife Management Area may call the GFC at 954-985-4705.

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Glades Central High School 1997 Girls' Volleyball Schedule		
9-22-97	OPEN	
9-23-97	FL Pierce Westwood	Home 4:30
9-24-97	Forest Hill	Home 5:00
9-29-97	Royal Palm Beach	Home 5:00
10-6-97	Pahokee	Away 4:00
10-9-97	Lincoln Park Academy (DBL)	Away 4:30
10-13-97	OPEN	
10-15-97	Pope John Paul	Home 5:00
10-20-97	Cardinal Newman (DBL)	Away 5:00
10-22-97	Forest Hill	Away 5:00
10-23-97	Palm Beach Gardens	Away 5:00

Glades Central High School 1997 Varsity Football Schedule		
9-19-97	Clewiston	Home 7:30
9-26-97	Wellington	Home 7:30
10-3-97	OPEN	
10-10-97	*Fort Pierce Westwood	Away 7:30
10-17-97	**Cardinal Newman	Away 7:30
10-24-97	***Suncoast	Away 7:30
10-30-97	Olympic Height	Away 7:30
11-7-97	***Forest Hill	Homecoming 7:30
11-14-97	**Pahokee	Home 7:30

* District Games
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Glades Day School 1997 "Lady Gator" Volleyball Schedule		
9-18-97	Jupiter Christian	Away 5:30/6:30
9-23-97	Lake Worth Christian	Away 4:30 V
9-22-27-97	JV Tourn. at LW Christian	Away TBA
9-26-27-97	Bolles Tourn. Jacksonville	Away TBA
9-30-97	John Carroll	Away 5:00/6:00
10-2-97	King's Academy	Away 4:30/5:30
10-3-97	Summit Christian	Home 4:00/5:00
10-6-97	Hollywood Christian	Home 5:30/6:30
10-7-97	Lake Worth Christian	Home 5:30/6:30
10-9-97	Clewiston	Home 5:30/6:30
10-14-97	Pahokee High School	Away 5:00/6:00
10-15-97	American Heritage	Away 6:00/7:00
10-16-97	Benjamin	Home 5:30/6:30
10-20-97	Jupiter Christian	Home 5:30/6:30
10-21-97	Summit Christian	Away 6:00/7:00
10-23-97	Moore Haven	Home 5:30/6:30
10-28-97	Dist. Semi-Final at Benjamin	Away 7:00 V
10-30-97	Dist. Championship at Benjamin	Away 7:00 V

Pahokee Middle/Senior High School 1997 "Lady Blue Devil" Volleyball Schedule		
9-18-97	Palm Beach Lakes	Home 5:00/6:00
9-29-97	**Cardinal Newman	Away 5:00/6:00
10-2-97	**Saint Andrew's	Home 5:00/6:00
10-6-97	Glades Central	Home 4:00/5:00 JV
10-8-97	Royal Palm Beach	Home 5:00/6:00
10-9-97	Benjamin	Away 5:00/6:00
10-14-97	Glades Day	Home 5:00/6:00
10-15-97	Suncoast	Home 5:00/6:00
10-20-97	Clewiston	Home TBA
10-22-97	**Pope John Paul	Away 5:00/6:00
10-23-97	Clewiston	Away TBA

** District Games

Glades Day School 1997 Varsity Football Schedule		
9-19-97	American Heritage	Away 7:30
9-26-97	Benjamin	Away 4:00
10-3-97	Frostproof	Home 7:30
10-10-97	OPEN	
10-17-97	Miami Gulliver	Away 3:45
10-24-97	St. Edwards	Away 7:30
10-31-97	Hollywood Christian	Home 7:30
11-7-97	Moore Haven	Homecoming 7:30
11-15-97	John Carroll	Away 7:30

Junior Varsity		
9-18-97	Clewiston	Away 7:00
9-25-97	John Carroll	Home 7:00
10-2-97	King's Academy	Away 6:30
10-9-97	American Heritage	Away 7:00
10-16-97	Westminster	Home 6:30
10-23-97	LaBelle	Away 7:00

Pahokee Middle/Senior High School 1997 Varsity Football Schedule		
9-19-97	Suncoast	Home 7:30
9-26-97	Jupiter	Away 7:30
10-3-97	Atlantic	Home 7:30
10-10-97	Royal Palm Beach	Homecoming 7:30
10-17-97	OPEN	
10-24-97	**Pope John Paul	Away 7:30
10-30-97	Forest Hill	Away 7:30
11-7-97	**Cardinal Newman	Home 7:30
11-14-97	Glades Central	Away 7:30

** District Games

Junior Varsity		
9-18-97	Jupiter	Home 7:00
9-25-97	Palm Beach Gardens	Away 7:00
10-1-97	Palm Beach Lakes	Home 7:00
10-8-97	Wellington	Away 7:00
10-16-97	Glades Central	Home 7:00
10-23-97	Clewiston	Home 7:00



JV Glades Day Gator #78 Joey Piconcelli, OT takes a breath during last weeks game



Glades Day Varsity Gator Alex Molares, RB for the Glades Day Gators is pictured here with Nicole Alvarez, who keeps the STATs for the Gators.



These JV STAT girls are VIPs at all the Gator games. Pictured on the left is Mary Anne Hollingsworth and Donna Marie Moss.



Glades Day J.V. Cheerleaders: Top L to R, Summer Miller, Kara Salvatore, Heather York, Kristen Gilliam, Emily Reese. Bottom L to R: Courtney Carlson, Kelly Salvatore

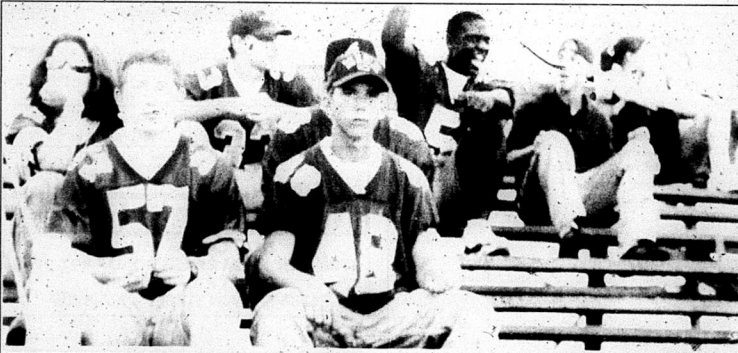


JV Gator #86 Larry Barns, TE & DE, and #45 Derrick Allison, OT.

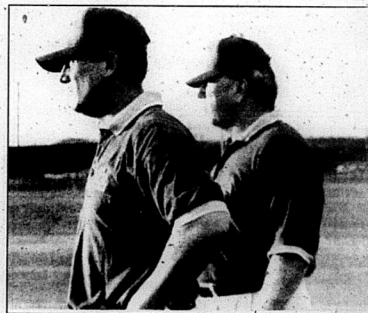
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Glades Day JV Gator #53 Matt Prescott suggests a play during the game against Benjamin.



Varsity Gator football players come out to support the Junior Varsity team, September 11, at Gator field.



Glades Day Gator's Junior Varsity coaches Butch Golf (front) and Wayne Miner to the back; watch from the sideline.

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This week's line-up

Football

Varsity - Friday - September 19th

Glades Central Raiders vs Clewiston Tigers

at Raider Field Kick Off 7:30 p.m.

Glades Day Gators vs American Heritage

at American Heritage Kick Off 7:30 p.m.

Pahokee Blue Devils vs Suncoast

at Pahokee Kick Off 7:30 p.m.

JV - Thursday - September 18th

Glades Day JV Gators vs Clewiston JV Tigers

game in Clewiston Kick Off 7 p.m.

Pahokee JV Blue Devils vs Jupiter

at Pahokee Kick Off 7 p.m.

Junior High - Thursday September 18th

Glades Day vs American Heritage

at Glades Day Kick Off 6:30 p.m.

Volleyball

September 23rd

Varsity - Glades Day vs Lake Worth Christian

at PBOC game time 6 p.m.

Glades Central vs Ft. Pierce Westwood

at Glades Central game time 4:30 p.m.

September 24th

Glades Central vs Forest Hill

at Glades Central game time 5 p.m.

September 25

JR. HI. Glades Day vs Clewiston Middle 2 matches

at Glades Day game time 5:30 p.m.

September 22-27

Glades Day - JV Tourn. at Lake Worth Chr.

game away game time TBA



Glades Central cheerleaders left to right are: Sharonda Rush, Leticia Clarke, Tremaine Cameron, Danquila Paige, Lakesha Posey, Rashonda Rush, Vertitia Bell, Shayla Lewis, and Tangelia Marshall.



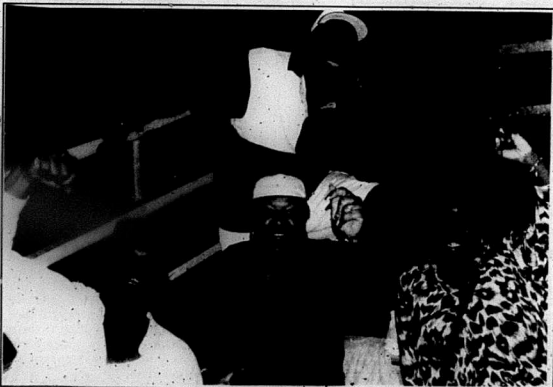
Fan's come all the way from Belle Glade to cheer the Glades Central Raiders to VICTORY!

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These two Raiders take time to say that the Raiders are now 2-0 in the district.

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Area Varsity and JV Volleyball game results

**Glades Central
lost against
Suncoast in last
Wednesdays
volleyball game.**

The final scores were 15-5, 15-0.

The lady Raiders have just started the season and are hard at practice.

This season there are five returning player and three

seniors. Sharrel Johnson, senior, is the Raiders captain. "She is a very hard worker, dedicated to the team and is a great motivator for the team", says head coach Terry Osborne.

Glades Day junior varsity team is off to a great season

This years team is made up of eighth, ninth and

tenth graders. They are a very motivated team.

Last Thursday the J.V. girls matched up with Wellington High. They defeated the Wolverines in the first match scoring 15-12. Melissa Miller, # 22, led the team with 13 service points and Jayme Arnold, #11, with 8 service points. Carmen Paez, # 14, had 7 kills in the first match. She is only an eighth grader.

but beware!

The Gators played so well that the third match they had rally scoring, which means they received points for every serve. Way to go JV!

The final scores were: 15-12, 15-10, 15-10.

Lady Gator's beat King's Academy

Glades Day junior varsity

volleyball team played against Kings Academy on Friday night. Again the lady Gators defeated their opponents 15-4, 15-7.

Melissa Miller, #22, a tenth grader, scored 17 points in Friday's game. These girls have had a great start so far.

Keep up the good work



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The contest is intended to have students focus on the positive aspects of competition and the importance of good sportsmanship. Students should write an essay of 200 words or less expressing their thoughts on good sportsmanship. Students should write an essay of 200 words or less expressing their thoughts on good sportsmanship. The essays should include the student's name and school and their teacher's name and signature. Students may also write the name of a player from the closest NFL team who they believe is the best example of good sportsmanship. The player with the most votes from students will become that NFL team's Good Sport.

All essays are due by October 3, and should be mailed to Sprint NFL Good Probs Essay Contest, 4600 Madison Avenue, Suite 1300, Kansas City, MO 64112. Parents or teachers of eighth graders may get more information by calling toll free at 1-800-669-1131.

Essays will be judged by current and former sports writers. Each of 30 student winners will win four tickets to an NFL game closest to their home. The 30 student winners will advance to the national competition and five finalists will attend Super Bowl XXXII with up to three family members, including their parent or guardian.

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Minivan safety: Think Ford first with the 1998 Windstar

By Anne Fracassa
Avanti NewsFeatures

The very first thing you'll notice about the 1998 Ford Windstar is its wonderful, comfortable ride. It's quiet, and you'll barely feel a bump in the road — even roads as cold-patch- and pothole-laden as they are here in southeastern Michigan.

And for a seven-passenger minivan as large as this one, the EPA mileage rating is pretty good: 17 in the city, 23 on the highway.

There are some really neat innovative features on the new Windstar, too, like a panoramic convex mirror that lets you see every passenger and a tip-and-slide driver's seat that allows access to the second row of seating.

But what you won't find on the 1998 Ford Windstar is a fourth door. It's not even an option. At a time when another Big Three automaker — Chrysler — is giving the fourth door away free, Ford doesn't have a minivan with an available fourth door. Incredible.

The upshot is that all you loyal Ford owners will have to wait until at least 1999, which seems like a long way away, to get that important fourth door. Between now and then, Ford must figure out whether the extra door will be standard, or an option. Hmm... something to think about.

But let's get back to this new Windstar, the one you can buy right now in Ford's showroom. As safety features for the family van are the driving force at

Ford, no stone has been left unturned with these wheels. We can count on 4-wheel anti-lock brakes, dual air bags, knee bolsters, a front crumple zone, side impact intrusion beams and a sliding door safety lock. And available as an option is all-speed traction control on some models.

Back to that panoramic convex mirror thing. It's offered on a preferred equipment package that's pricey, but the mirror is really a great tool to have when children are strapped into the back seats. The mirror is located in the overhead console.

It allows a wide-angle view of all passengers and even can be used to double-check right and left lanes during lane changes. One added benefit: When one kid says the other one hit them — you'll know exactly who hit who.

The 1998 Windstar has neater lines and a contoured (no pun intended) front. It's really pretty on the outside, especially with its flowing lines and rounded corners.

The inside has been improved as well. There are second- and third-row head restraints on the seats, a new overhead console on select models, new seat fabrics and adjustable shoulder belts for second-row passengers.

Instrumentation is simple. It's all analog, is laid out well, easy to reach and operate and perfect for anyone who hates to take their eyes off the road — even for a second.

The odometer, trip odometer and gear shift indicator resemble something you'd have seen in

the 1960s. But, in all fairness, some people just can't stand change — like my mom, who's 76 years young. She turned in her leased 1995 Subaru a few months ago to get a brand new one. And she still complains she can't operate every function like she could on her "old" car.

Another neat innovation is the Family Entry System. It takes the sting out of not having the fourth door, if nothing else. The driver's seat tips and slides out of the way to allow easy access to the second row of seats from the driver's side.

It's really neat. A regular door length on the Windstar had been 47.5 inches. The door length is now 53.4 inches, which allows ample space for a kid to squeeze out of the door. It has been redesigned to allow plenty of clearance to open in parking lots and in an average-sized garage.

About the engine, I already said it was quiet. You've got two choices: The entry-level 3.0 liter or the 3.8-liter V6 with 200 horsepower. Gotta go with the 3.8. It's got plenty of power to merge you quickly onto that freeway. I was impressed with the mileage more than anything.

The 3.0-liter Windstar costs \$19,665, but if you back rule, the 3.0-liter model will do. But go with the 3.8 if you can.

The Windstar is also comfortable. I drove the test van close to 500 miles and never felt fatigued. The driver's chair is really comfy and includes armrests on the right side. Even the seat belts were a breeze to hook up.

Speaking of quiet, you could drive on the freeway (with the windows rolled up, of course) and still hear the person sitting the farthest away. That says a lot about the interior noise level of the Windstar. There isn't much, so you don't have to scream to be heard.

The Windstar is also easy to get into and out of. It's got a lower step that makes running boards unnecessary. Even in a dress and heels it was easy for me and my two girls and my mom to step in and step out.

Worth a mention is the fact that the National Highway Transportation Administration (NHTSA) rates Windstar as "5 star." Five stars indicated the best protection for vehicles in the same weight class; the level of crash protection in a head-on collision.

What this means is that the government rated the Windstar as a safe minivan, one that gives a high level of protection during a crash, as compared with minivans that were similar in weight.

All in all, the 1998 Ford Windstar is a fine minivan and a great people mover, especially for busy families with hectic schedules.

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1998 Ford Windstar
Vehicle class: 7-passenger minivan.

Power: 3.8-liter V6 engine.
Mileage: 17 city / 23 highway.
Where built: Oakville, Ontario, Canada.
Price: \$21,920.



Improvements in quality and technology have added about 112 months to the useful life span of a car or truck each model year. The improvements in vehicle components not only mean fewer trips to the repair shop during the car's or truck's useful life, but also people won't need to replace vehicles as often as they have.

Cars Will Be Teen-agers When Century Turns

How long will a car or truck last?

There's a new answer to that question, according to an analysis just released by the Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA). MEMA has developed a new measurement for the Expected Useful Vehicle Life (EUVL) of a personal vehicle.

By the year 2000, a new car's EUVL will be just less than 15 years if current trends continue, according to Frank Hampshire, director of research at MEMA.

Improvements in quality and technology have added about 112 months to the useful life span of a car or truck each model year, meaning one complete additional year of usefulness every eight years.

"Although the observed data fluctuate a bit, fitting a trend line to the data makes the point clear: Cars today definitely

last longer than they used to," says Hampshire. "This has major implications not only for our industry's vehicle makers and their suppliers, but also for the aftermarket that services and maintains those cars and trucks."

Better new cars mean fewer trips to the car dealership. The improvements in vehicle components not only mean fewer trips to the repair shop during the car's or truck's useful life, but also people won't need to replace vehicles as often as they have.

Founded in 1904, MEMA exclusively represents and serves more than 700 U.S. manufacturers of motor-vehicle components, tools and equipment, automotive chemicals, and related products used in the production, repair and maintenance of all classes of motor vehicles.

CAR TUNED

By Hawke Fracassa
Avanti NewsFeatures

Sienna replacing Previa: Toyota's 1998 Sienna minivan, available in the fall, will replace the rear-drive Previa, which ends a seven-year run. The front-wheel drive Sienna will come with a 3.0-liter V6 engine and automatic transmission. An optional driver's-side fourth door will be available on the vehicle, which will be built in Georgetown, Ky., on a modified Camry sedan platform. Toyota hopes to make about 60,000 Siennas in 1998.

Men-drink, drive more: A study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association suggests there will be as many as 123 million drunken drivers on the road, and that men are five times more likely than women to drive drunk. The study comprised more than 100,000 telephone interviews with adult drivers as well as statistics compiled by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The most drunken drivers per capita live in Alaska, Nevada, North Dakota, Michigan and Wisconsin.

New gadget: The Tornado Air Management System is a new stainless-steel gadget that's intended to help cars get better mileage. The turbine wheel-shaped device is supposed to speed up air flow into the engine to improve engine performance. For information, call 1-800-500-8880 or get more information online at www.tornadoair.com.

RV trips popular: A study by the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association released this month found almost half of America's RV owners are making plans to travel in a recreational vehicle for at least 30 days this summer, and more than three-quarters of the owners expect to take at least one unplanned trip in an RV. The five favorite activities RV owners say they'll do on these trips are biking, camping, fishing, hiking and shopping.

Quotable: Deceased actor Morey Amsterdam, sharing his view of sports cars in a 1964 Dick Van Dyke episode: "Ya know what's wrong with bucket seats? Everybody's got a different-sized bucket."

Look Both Ways Before Using Car Phones

Due to today's hectic lifestyles, cellular phones have become a popular accessory in many cars because of their ease of use and convenience. However, the Insurance Information Institute (I.I.I.) urges drivers to take precautions when using cellular phones.

A study by the Rochester Institute of Technology found that drivers with cellular phones are 34 percent more likely to be involved in traffic accidents than drivers without phones.

"Anything that distracts the driver's attention from the road, whether it's dialing a cellular phone or talking to the kids in the backseat, puts the driver at greater risk for an accident," says Jayna Neagle of the I.I.I.

According to the institute, car phones with hands-free microphones

are the safest for drivers to utilize. If drivers do not have this type of phone, the I.I.I. advises the following:

- Keep the phone in an easily accessible location.
- Use a phone with pre-programmed dialing to minimize eye distraction.
- Pull over to the side of the road if you have to make a phone call.
- End conversations and let voice mail answer incoming calls if traffic becomes heavy.

Car phones tend to make people feel safe and secure, especially on the open road. However, don't let your guard down in light traffic, cautions Neagle. "You're not sitting in your kitchen chatting on the phone with a friend," she says. "You're on the road, where swift reflexes and crucial judgments are needed every minute."

Take These Simple Steps to Protect Your Family

By Mike Ferrara, The Lazy Homeowner

(MS) — My wife and I have three small kids, so you don't have to explain to me how important safety is around the house. I thought I was doing all the right things, like child-proofing the electrical outlets and putting in a security system. But, I forgot one major item — the garage door.

Did you know that a garage door is the largest moving object in your home? Simply put, if you don't regularly maintain and check the safety of your garage-door opener, you could be putting your family's lives in jeopardy, since an improperly-adjusted door opener can exert deadly force when the door closes.

The good news is that it's easy to check your garage-door opener. Every month, with the door open, place a length of a two-by-four on the floor in the center of the door's path. If you want to test your door to a higher, safer standard, replace the wood with a new roll of extra-thick paper towels (still in the plastic). Push the control button to close the door — the opener should reverse and open the door when it strikes the wood or paper towels. If it doesn't reverse, you may need to adjust the opener's force sensitivity. Consult your owner's manual, or get a qualified repairman over to your house in a hurry.

If you have an opener that's more than 5 years old and needs major repairs, replace it immediately. The newest openers have improved safety features, like photo eyes that allow the door to close only when the path beneath the door is clear.

Doors and springs wear out over time as well — you may want to consider replacing all three components as a complete system. One manufacturer, Wayne-Dalton, has easy-to-install QuantumTM openers that feature wireless photo-eye systems and easy entrapment removal, as well as rolling access codes to thwart thieves who try to grab access codes sent out by remote controls.

While you're at it, check the location of the push-button wall control. It should be well out of the reach of children (at least 5 feet from the floor) — and as far away as possible from the garage door and all moving parts.

Above all, use common sense. Keep remote controls out of the reach of children. When using the push button or remote, keep the door in sight until it completely closes.

Once you get everything adjusted properly, don't get too lazy — use a spray lubricant at least twice a year on your garage doors' rollers and hinges to keep everything running smoothly. It's also not a bad idea to have a professional come out and inspect everything once a year.

For a free safety kit, write to Wayne-Dalton, Dept. SK, 1 Door Drive, Mt. Hope, OH 44660, or log on to www.garagedoorsafety.com.

What to Do after an Accident

Common Sense Steps Decrease Complications

An automobile accident can leave you feeling angry, anxious and scared. When these emotions are triggered, it becomes very easy to forget many of the common sense steps to take to help ensure that the claims handling process for your vehicle repairs happens quickly, accurately and efficiently. The Automotive Service Association (ASA), a non-profit trade association serving the automotive service industry, recommends that you take the following steps after an accident to decrease your chance of complications later on:

Move your vehicle to a safe place, and stop and identify yourself to the other driver. If your vehicle cannot be moved, turn on the hazard lights. Proceed carefully to determine if there are injuries, and seek medical help if needed. Notify the police and tell them who you are, where you are and relate the details of the accident. Let them know of any injuries or if anyone claims to be injured.

Exchange information with

the other vehicle driver, including driver's license number and vehicle registration number. It's also a good idea to take down the vehicle make, model and license plate number. Make sure to get the other driver's name, address, telephone number and the name of his or her insurance company. Also make a list of the names and addresses of any passengers and witnesses.

Make sure to get the names and badge number of any police officers who arrive at the scene of the accident. Police officers will file a report on your accident if there are injuries. If a report is filed, ask how to obtain a copy of it at a later date.

At the scene of the accident, avoid any extensive discussions about who is responsible for the damage. If the other person admits responsibility, offers a monetary settlement and you accept, then your right to file a claim against the driver may be compromised. Never agree to just forget about the accident. Even though there are no visible signs of damage to your

vehicle, you may find hidden structural damage. The same is true for bodily injuries that may not be reported until a few days later.

Write a complete description of the accident as soon as possible. Your description should include weather conditions, estimated speeds, time of day, road conditions and the direction in which you and the other vehicle were traveling at the time of the accident. Draw a rough sketch of the site of the accident, and make notes about any statements made by the driver or witnesses. If you happen to be traveling with a camera at the time of your accident, take photos of the damaged vehicles and the accident site.

Have the vehicle towed or driven to the collision repair facility of your choice. The Automotive Service Association has members throughout the country who provide quality collision repairs and who can be identified by the red, white and blue ASA sign or in the yellow pages with the ASA logo.

Notify your insurance company of the accident as soon as

possible. Documenting this pertinent information will help avoid complications or discrepancies about the details of the accident. It will also provide you with a written history for your files should problems surface after your vehicle has been repaired to its pre-accident condition. For a copy of ASA's *What You Should Do In The Event Of An Accident or Your Vehicle Can and Should Be Restored To Pre-Accident Condition*, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to ASA, P.O. Box 929, Bedford, Texas 76095, attn.: Consumer Tips.

The mission of the association is to enhance, through education of owners, managers and technicians, the professionalism of the automotive service industry, and to inform the public of the quality nature of ASA member work. ASA's headquarters is located in Bedford, Texas, and serves approximately 12,000 businesses and more than 55,000 professionals from all segments of the automotive service industry.

Certified auto technicians reveal "Top 10 List" of neglect

Changing the oil and filter is the most frequently neglected service by vehicle owners, according to a survey of ASE-certified automotive technicians conducted by the National Institute for Auto-motive Service Excellence (ASE).

The ASE survey asked technicians to list the auto maintenance that their customers most frequently neglect. From this survey, ASE compiled a Top Ten List of Vehicle Neglect.

While changing the oil and oil filter was the most frequently neglected service at 21.7 percent, neglecting the cooling system, belts and hoses was a close second, listed by 19 percent of technicians.

Transmission neglect (12.3 percent), and neglecting periodic maintenance schedules (10.3 percent) also rated high among the technicians.

"What this survey shows is that the least expensive and least time-consuming routine maintenance is being overlooked by today's car owners," said Ronald Weiner, ASE president. "Vehicle neglect can be costly. Serious problems and expensive repairs often result when car owners don't check and change engine oil, and coolant/antifreeze in the radiator, or replace worn belts and hoses."

Technicians also listed other auto maintenance

items that are frequently neglected: Tune-ups, 8.7 percent; tires, 8.5 percent; suspension and steering, 8.2 percent; brakes, 7.7 percent; timing belts, 2.4 percent; and body/paint work, 1 percent.

Since the complexity of today's new cars and light trucks limits the maintenance and service the average do-it-yourselfer can perform themselves, ASE advises car owners to take their vehicle to a repair facility that employs ASE-certified technicians for periodic check-ups. Car owners should follow the recommended service schedules in the owner's manual.

ASE, a national, non-profit organization, was founded in 1972 to help improve the quality of automotive service and repair through the voluntary testing and certification of automotive technicians.

Over 424,000 ASE-certified automobile, truck and collision repair technicians, engine machinists and parts specialists work in dealerships, independent shops, service stations, auto parts stores, fleets and schools and colleges.

For more information about ASE and ASE-certified technicians, write to ASE, Dept. NU-397, 13505 Dulles Technology Drive, Suite 2, Herndon, Va. 20171; telephone 703-713-3800; or visit their Web site at www.ase-cert.org.



Since Freon is no longer manufactured, many car owners may choose to convert their A/C systems to use a replacement refrigerant.

Understanding the connection between your car's air conditioner and the environment

Do you keep hearing about a hole in the ozone layer? Ever wonder if you can help? If you own a motor vehicle, the answer is, yes you can!

Most automobiles manufactured before 1993 use the refrigerant CFC-12, commonly known as Freon, a brand name. Because CFC-12 damages the ozone layer whenever it leaks out of the car, the United States and all other developed nations have decided, under the terms of an international agreement, to ban the production of CFC-12 and other ozone-depleting chemicals. Available supplies of CFC-12 in the U.S. may run out by as early as next year.

If your vehicle's air conditioner needs repair and currently uses CFC-12, you should consider two options:

- You can convert your car's air conditioning system to use a refrigerant that is safer for the ozone layer. Keep in mind that there are no laws requiring you to convert your air conditioning system to use a replacement refrigerant.

- You can keep using CFC-12 until the current supply is used up, and your automotive service facility can no longer locate it. This may be the most cost-effective option if you are not planning to keep your car for very long.

Converting now may help you save money by avoiding the purchase of CFC-12, which is becoming more expensive as supplies diminish. The cost to convert your A/C system will vary depending on the make and model of your car, and on the car's history. EPA estimates that when conversions are performed in conjunction with a repair, most vehicles can be converted for less than \$200 above the repair cost.

Replacement refrigerants must be reviewed by EPA to determine if they are safe for human health and for the environment. Of the refrigerants the EPA has found acceptable, R-134a is the only refrigerant vehicle manufacturers recommend. In fact, ozone-safe R-134a is used in the production of all new vehicle A/C systems.

Be sure to ask your service technician the following questions the next time you take your vehicle in for A/C service:

- Does my air conditioner currently use CFC-12?

- How much will it cost for you to repair my A/C system and recharge it with CFC-12? How much will it cost for you to repair my A/C system and convert to use another refrigerant? Which choice do you recommend I select, and why?

- What steps are involved in the conversion of my car to use another refrigerant?

- If I switch to use another refrigerant, and I need repairs in the future, will other shops be familiar with the brand of refrigerant?

- All service technicians handling A/C refrigerants must be certified by the EPA and should be able to answer all of your A/C repair questions.

For more information on vehicle air conditioning conversions, CFC-12, or the ozone layer, contact EPA's Ozone Hotline at (800) 296-1996 between 10 am and 3 pm Eastern Time. You can request a copy of the publication *It's Your Choice: Retrofitting Your Car's A/C System*. You can also visit EPA's motor vehicle air conditioning web site at www.epa.gov/ozone/title6/609.

Lead weight recycling helps prevent pollution

You may not realize it, but there are tiny lead weights on the rims of your car or truck wheels, which are used to keep them in balance.

Those lead weights present an environmental problem as millions of tires are replaced each year.

But there are dedicated people doing something about it.

GNB Technologies, a lead-acid battery manufacturer, pioneered the idea of wheel-weight recycling in 1988. GNB has since teamed up with a number of concerned companies, including retailer Montgomery Ward, to promote wheelweight recycling.

Here's how it works: GNB picks up spent lead-acid batteries for recycling when it delivers new batteries to automotive customers. Now, the company picks up the used lead wheelweights at the same time.

"Because many of our customers sell tires and batteries, it's logical for us to pick up old lead wheelweights when we pick up old lead-acid batteries for recycling," says Tom Minner, GNB president and CEO.

Since the lead is recycled, the customer no longer bears environmental liability and the lead stays out of the landfill.

According to GNB, the 255 million tires sold in 1995 contributed to more than 31,000 tons of lead rolling over the nation's highways. Prior to the recycling program, when the millions of tires were no longer needed, retailers sold the lead weights to scrap dealers or anyone who was willing to haul it away. There was no documentation or control over what happened to it.

This left retailers exposed to environmental liability under Superfund legislation, for potential mismanagement of a hazardous material.

GNB's program includes providing a pre-measured bucket or barrel to hold the used wheelweights, arranging the documentation, collection and handling of the weights, reimbursing the retailer for the lead, and recycling the metal.

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(MS) — "This manual contains warnings against operating procedures which could result in an accident or bodily injury. It contains CAUTIONS against procedures which could result in damage to your vehicle. If you do not read this entire manual, you may miss important information. Observe all Warnings and Cautions."

This precautionary statement, typical of most vehicle owner's manuals, explains the importance of reading and heeding the advice for operating and maintaining your vehicle.

A section that should not be overlooked in these manuals is the explanation about your vehicle's warning lights. Warning lights tell you that something is wrong. Not obeying your vehicle's advice could leave you stranded and/or put a large dent in your wallet.

The following information, compiled by Gates Rubber Co. engineers, explains the meaning of various warning lights, what triggers each one to come on, what can happen if corrective action is prolonged and how to prevent each light from coming on.

If you haven't had the time or motivation to acquaint yourself with the details of your car's warning lights, this summary could save you hours of frustration and maybe a lot of money.

VOLTAGE LIGHT

This light monitors your car's electrical-system voltage. The light warns you that the battery is being discharged. If you continuously drive while this light is on, you could drain your battery and not be able to restart the car.

Battery discharge can be caused by a loose, missing or broken generator belt. Look under the hood, and visually check the belt. Do not continue driving if the belt is missing, broken or loose. (On many late-model vehicles, one belt — serpentine belt — will drive several accessories, including the generator. If the belt is in good condition, but the light remains on, immediate service should be performed. If the belt is 4 years old, Gates recommends changing the belt before it fails.

ENGINE WARNING LIGHT

This light, or a temperature gauge, warns you of an overheated engine. If this light illuminates, move your vehicle safely off the road, put it in park, turn your air conditioning off, open all of the windows, adjust your heat level to maximum hot, and turn the fan to high. Then, open the hood; if steam or water is coming from the engine, stand clear to prevent getting burned. Visually check drive belts for damage or looseness, especially the water-pump belt. Also, check if the cooling fan is running. The radiator and radiator hoses should not leak coolant. Stop the engine immediately if coolant is leaking, the cooling fan is not turning, or the drive belt is missing or damaged.

Overheating can have a number of causes. It is often the result of coolant loss or low coolant level. Low coolant level may be due to leaks in hoses, the

radiator or the engine itself.

Too much heat in your engine can cause serious long-term damage.

Excessive heat causes valve stems to stick, pistons to scuff and seize, and cylinder heads to warp and crack. Serious damage can mean an expensive engine replacement.

To avoid overheating, constantly check the condition of the radiator and hoses. An easy and effective way to check hoses is to perform the "squeeze test." When the engine is cool, squeeze each hose near every clamp and connector. Use two fingers and a thumb to check for weaknesses and any kinks between the middle and ends of the hose. If the ends are soft and feel mushy, chances are electrochemical hose degradation (ECD) is occurring. To avoid breakdowns, hose replacement is recommended.

Gates recommends replacing all coolant hoses every four years, regardless of their appearance, for safe driving.

A routine inspection of the thermostat every six months will help prevent the possibility of overheating. To check, allow the engine to warm up for 10 minutes to 15 minutes, then feel the upper radiator hose. If the hose does not feel warm, the thermostat is malfunctioning and should be replaced.

BRAKE-FLUID WARNING LIGHT

Driving a vehicle with the brake-fluid light on is dangerous. This light signifies that the emergency brake is on or the brake fluid in the master cylinder has dropped below a specified level.

First, check to see if your emergency brake is applied: If it's not, then slow down, and pull off the road. Find a safe place to test your brakes by starting and stopping. If you judge your brakes are still operating adequately, drive to the nearest dealer or repair shop. If the brakes are not adequate, have your car towed in to be repaired.

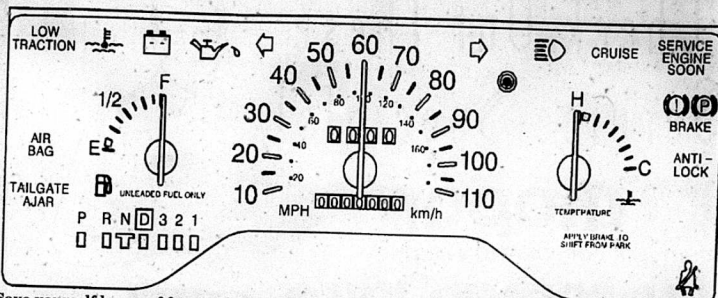
There are only two reasons why brake fluid in your master cylinder should go down. The first is that the brake-fluid level recedes during normal brake-lining wear. The other, more dangerous reason is that fluid is leaking out of the brake system.

To prevent the brake-fluid light from coming on, and ultimately brake failure, inspect hose and hose couplings for leaks, surface cracking, scuffing or worn spots. If any of these conditions exist, replace the faulty part or parts immediately.

MALFUNCTION INDICATOR LIGHT

This light, also known as the "service engine soon" light, indicates that there is a problem somewhere in the fuel system, ignition system, automatic-transmission electrical system or emission system. Although most of the time your vehicle may be driveable, proceed immediately to a dealer or repair shop.

A variety of circumstances can cause a problem in any one of these systems. The problem can



Save yourself hours of frustration and costly repair bills by paying attention to your car's in-dash warning lights. They not only tell you how your vehicle is running, but they also alert you to potential problems.

range from having no fuel left in the gas tank to having holes in the exhaust.

Continued operation of your vehicle with the malfunction indicator light on can lead to poor driveability, reduced fuel economy and possible long-term

damage to your engine, warns Gates.

To prevent the engine malfunction light from appearing, routinely have your car serviced as recommended by your operator's manual.

Always remember to pay

close attention to your car's in-dash warning lights. These lights not only tell you a lot about how your car is running, but they can alert you to potential problems.

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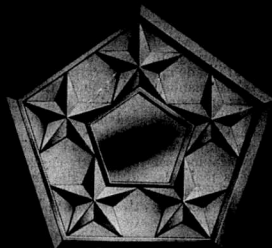
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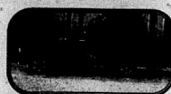
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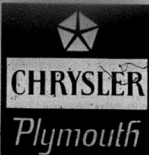
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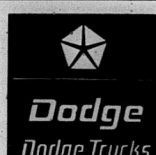
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This technology is suitable for a wide range of transportation applications, including passenger cars and light trucks, motorcycles, recreational vehicles, buses, commercial trucks, and even heavy construction equipment.

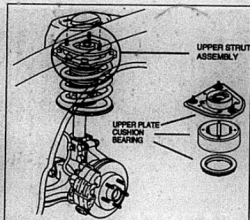
The system can be used with virtually any standard tubeless tires, but is especially important for use with "run flat" or "continued mobility" tires. These types of tires do not exhibit the typical "flat" appearance when underinflated or completely deflated.

The product is covered by a three-year/50,000-mile limited warranty and is available at select tire dealers nationwide. It installs in about the same time it takes to mount and balance a set of tires.

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Simple to install inside any vehicle, the SmartTireSM interactive display module clips to a visor or mounts on the dash or console, where it is visible to and within easy reach of the driver. In addition to its digital display that continuously reads tire pressure and temperature, the module has several warnings that automatically alert the driver of an air-pressure loss or temperature problem.



Typical front-wheel-drive front strut assembly (Graphic courtesy of Moog Automotive)

Suspension Noise May Be Due to Strut Mounts

While driving around town, you notice your front-wheel-drive passenger car is steering rougher and a sharp popping, squeaking or rubbing sound can be heard after making a turn. The vehicle also may want to pull in the direction it was last steered.

If any of these symptoms sound familiar, the cause may be tied to one or both of the vehicle's strut mount assemblies, according to Al Lynch, manager of technical services for Moog Automotive.

"Ninety percent of passenger-car production in the last five years features strut mount assemblies," reports Lynch. "The upper strut mount replaces the upper control arm and upper ball joint used on traditional steering and suspension systems as the upper connection to the vehicle body."

Strut mounts are hard-working components, capable of supporting vehicle weight. Each assembly usually consists of a rubber core that dampens noise and vibration and a bearing that allows the front wheels and strut assembly to turn while supporting weight.

"Strut mounts, like any rubber suspension component, may become worn over time and can affect the suspension system's geometry," explains Lynch. "Whenever a suspension component is not doing its job, the result can be a chain reaction that causes other parts in the suspension system to work harder and wear out faster."

Whenever load-carrying bearings become worn, they can cause the steering to bind. The binding condition is commonly referred to as "memory steer," because the vehicle pulls in the last direction it was turned.

Heavier vehicles are especially prone to strut mount wear. "As a general rule," says Lynch, "a car with a V-6 engine

it is more likely to show up with the symptoms described above than a lighter vehicle, due to its added weight. Any passenger car with more than 40,000 miles — regardless of its size — is a possible candidate for strut mount replacement."

WHAT TO LOOK FOR
Strut mount inspection requires using your head, as well as eyes, ears and hands. First, secure the hood in the open position and locate the strut mount assembly, which is usually bolted to the fender.

Next, bounce the vehicle and observe the mount. Listen for unusual noises and look for looseness. (It is normal for the strut rod to move a small amount as the mount deflects.) On some strut mount assemblies, it is possible to feel vibration as the loose components move inside their housings.

Finally, drive the vehicle to check for memory steer. If any of these conditions exist, take the vehicle in for inspection by a professional service technician.

Moog Automotive recommends parts replacement based on original equipment manufacturer specifications or when a loose part is identified as a cause of a problem. In some cases, loose parts that are still within the vehicle manufacturer's specifications can cause performance problems. These loose parts may not pose a safety problem, but may cause handling and tire-wear problems.

"Whenever struts or springs are replaced," adds Lynch, "make sure your technician inspects the strut mount assembly for axial or radial movement that exceeds the vehicle manufacturer's specifications, or for cracks or separation of the rubber from the steel part of the mount. If these conditions exist, replace the old mount assembly."

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